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'AIR POLLUTION KILLED 1.7 LAKH INDIANS IN 2019'

As much as 18% of the total deaths last year were due to air pollution, says a new paper published in Lancet Planetary Health

1.4% GDP LOST DUE TO POOR AIR QUALITY

According to the paper, air pollution shrank India's GDP by 1.4%. However, the study found household air pollution decreased in India, resulting in 64% drop in the death rate attributable to it between 1990 and 2019. ICMR Director General Balram Bhargava attributed this to govt schemes such as the 'Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana' and 'Unnat Chulha Abhiyan'

NORTHERN STATES BIGGEST LOSERS

- The scientific paper noted that the economic loss due to air pollution as a percentage of the state GDP was higher in the northern and central India states, with the highest in Uttar Pradesh (2.2% of the GDP) and Bihar (2% of the GDP)
- Delhi had the highest per-capita economic loss at $62

P9

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LOSS TO ECONOMY AS PREMATURE DEATHS SHRANK INDIA'S PRODUCTIVITY

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CBSE Class 10 & 12 board exams only after Feb '21

Minister says dates will be decided later, rules out online format

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

THE Central Board of Secondary Education examinations for Classes 10 and 12 will not be held in February, Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' announced during an interaction with teachers on Tuesday.

"I received a lot of requests from students and teachers to postpone the CBSE board exams for Class 10 and 12. Keeping the Covid-19 pandemic in mind, we have decided that board exams will not be held in February," the minister tweeted.

The exams will be held later, the minister said, but did not givev any specify dates. He only said it will be announced soon. "Our government is in favour of students," he posted on Twitter.

Unlike classes, the board exams will not be held online since "many schools are in rural areas", the minister said, adding that exams will not be cancelled either. "The CBSE board exams will be conducted based on a reduced syllabus," Pokhriyal also said, adding that 30 per cent of the total syllabus has been scrapped. While some states have declared as much, others are likely to make an announcement soon. There will also be 33 per cent internal choice in the exam, he said.

"We cannot allow Covid-19 to impact students and have them labelled as Covid-era students who cleared the classes without any examination," Pokhariyal noted, emphasising the need to conduct exams despite trying circumstances.

"We have organised JEE, NEET exams this year. It was one of the biggest examinations conducted amid the Covid-19 pandemic," he said in response to a query by a teacher.

The change in schedule for board exams comes days after the National Testing Agency published a brochure for the Joint Entrance Examination (Main), which said that the tests will be held four times next year beginning February.

STUDENTS WILL HAVE 125 DAYS OF CLASSES

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA @ Bengaluru

STUDENTS of Classes 10 and 12 may get about 125 days from January 1, when offline classes reopen, to prepare for the board exams.

While Primary & Secondary Education Minister S Suresh Kumar on Monday said during a phone-in programme that the board exams will not be held in March like usual, the minister informed *The New Indian Express* that the examinations will not take place for about 125 days, which means the board exams may not be conducted until the last week of April or early May. However, an official communication in this regard is yet to be issued. P2

80% average voter turnout in phase-1 panchayat polls

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ELECTIONS to 3,019 gram panchayats in 117 taluks were held in the first phase on Tuesday under the Covid-19 shadow, with half of rural Karnataka casting their votes. While polling was about 80 per cent overall, it crossed 85 per cent in some districts, which is much higher than the turnout for the Assembly and Lok Sabha elections.

Except for a few stray incidents, where polling was disrupted for some time, the elections were by and large peaceful. The second phase of voting will be held on December 27 and counting of votes will be taken up on December 30. A total of 4,377 candidates have been elected unopposed already, officials said.

Voters queue up at a polling booth to exercise their franchise in Nelamangala, Bengaluru, on Tuesday | SHRIRAM BN

According to Karnataka State Election Commissioner Basavaraju, the voter turnout was around 80 per cent in 2015, and surprisingly this time, it is a little more. At many places like Kolar, voting was close to 90 per cent while in Hassan and Mandya districts, the turnout was over 85 per cent. In one of the taluks in Bengaluru Rural, it even crossed 91 per cent. Dharwad, Koppal and Ballari witnessed around 80 per cent polling. "We had made all arrangements, but were apprehensive about voter turnout. Surprisingly, it crossed our expectations," he remarked. P4

Gupkar Alliance leads in 116 J&K DDC seats

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

IN the first major electoral exercise after Article 370 revocation, the Gupkar Alliance on Tuesday emerged the single largest group in the District Development Council (DDC) polls in Jammu & Kashmir. Notably, the BJP made inroads and won three seats in Muslim-majority Kashmir — in Srinagar, Bandipora and Pulwama.

In the 280 DDC seats, elections for which were held in eight phases, People's Alliance for Gupkar Declaration comprising the NC, PDP, PC, ANC, JKPM, CPI and CPM was ahead in 116 seats (86 won and leading in 30 seats).

The BJP has emerged as the single largest party. It was ahead in 73 seats, having won 65 seats and leading in eight others. The independents have emerged as the third dominant force with 55 seats (36 won and leading in 19).

Top leaders of Gupkar Alliance, which was formed in October to fight for Article 370 restoration, had stayed away from the poll campaign and let the second-rung leaders lead the campaigning. P10

No night curfew or lockdown in K'taka, says CM

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ALLAYING apprehensions that night curfew may be imposed in the state, like in neighbouring Maharashtra, after a new strain of SARS-CoV2 was detected in Britain, Karnataka Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa on Tuesday said there was no need for such a measure as of now. The State Government is also not looking at any kind of lockdown or quarantine for inter-state travellers.

The CM told media persons, "We understand that the finding of a mutated strain of the virus has worried the people of the state and also the country. We have come to know that someone who arrived in Chennai has been found infected. We have to be extra cautious and we have put stringent measures in place," he said. P3

$ 1 BILLION
CONTRACTS FOR IT FIRMS

Infosys and Wipro have won contracts worth over $ 1 billion each from German auto major Daimler AG and food services giant, METRO AG | P13

BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION OF INDIA

Karnataka (Bengaluru) Centre

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Will also grace the occasion & release ENGINEERING DIARY 2021

BUILDERS' DAY THEME - SAFETY IS NOT EXPENSIVE - IT IS PRICELESS

Construction work is a hazardous land-based job. Some construction site jobs include: building houses, roads, tree forts, workplaces and repair and maintain infrastructure. This work includes many hazardous task and conditions such as working with height, excavation, noise, dust, power tools and equipment. The most common fatalities are caused by the fatal four: falls, being struck by an object, electrocutions, and being caught in between two objects. Construction work has been increasing in developing and undeveloped countries over the past few years. With an increase in this type of work occupational fatalities have increased. Occupational fatalities are individuals who die while on the job or performing work related tasks.

There are three generations of construction safety informatics which are relevant to construction safety enhancement:

1. The first generation of construction safety informatics consisted of technologies that relied completely on control by human beings; for example, structural equation modelling requires the work of an analyst.
2. The second generation of construction safety informatics included smart features such as the Internet of Things which can send information to human operators, without human intervention - from sensors, etc. Yet, these "smart" tools cannot learn and improve on their own capabilities.
3. The third generation of construction safety informatics uses state-of-the-art AI, to mimic human behavior and think, act, learn and improve on its own decision making. All that is required is that the relevant information is fed to these systems, so that they can be 'taught'.

Inauguration of BUILDERS' DAY Celebration at 6.00 P.M.
Venue: 'Sitara Hall', Builders NGV Club, Bengaluru - 560047.

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Panel stands by decision, Classes 10, 12 from Jan 1

Edu dept to decide on Vidyagama

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA
@Bengaulru

THE Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) has stuck to its guns on reopening offline classes for class 10 and 12 students from January 1, taking a stand that postponing reopening further would be a kneejerk reaction in the wake of the new variant of SARS-CoV-2.

At its meeting on Tuesday, the committee deliberated on whether or not regular classes should resume for Grades 10 and 12. It decided that for now it is alright to reopen offline classes, and that another decision cannot be made in a week.

Dr C N Manjunath, director, Jayadeva Hospital, and part of TAC, told TNIE the situation (after schools reopen) can be monitored and reviewed in three weeks' time. He said: "The situation is dynamic, and at present the number of cases in Karnataka and in India, except for Kerala and Maharashtra, are on a downward trend."

He said the decision for Vidyagama students of Class 6-9 will be made by the education department. The TAC had in its previous meeting a week ago had recommended in a report that schools reopen on January 1.

Primary and Secondary Education S Suresh Kumar told TNIE the TAC had given the nod days ago, and arrangements are being made for the reopening of schools for class 10 and 12. With just over a week to go for the reopening of schools, TAC experts believe it is too soon to react to the new strain of the virus.

The TAC took a month to come out with its recommendation after the education department announced in November that schools would remain closed for the whole of December.

'Syllabus will be reduced'

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

In July, the State had announced a 30% cut in syllabus to complete 120 days of schooling, but a controversy over the omission of content required that the truncated syllabus be revised again by the Karnataka Text Book Society. The revised syllabus is not yet out. Teachers had, in July, already begun preparing to design classroom activities to fit the new deadline.

He said on Tuesday the syllabus will be reduced to ensure that children are not burdened.

Malpractice: BDA notice to 11 serving, ex-staffers

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

THE Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) on Tuesday issued show-cause notices to 11 present and former employees for their alleged involvement in malpractice pertaining to 57 sites in Hosakerehalli village falling under Banashankari 3rd Stage.

The sites measuring 20x30 ft were earmarked only for the economically weaker section and the illegalities occurred between March 2018 and 2019-end. BDA Commissioner H R Mahadev told TNIE, "They are not mistakes but major crimes. They have indulged in various unethical activities and the Authority has lost nearly Rs 100 crore because of them." As the BDA Special Task Force found them guilty, they were served notices, he added.

The inquiry report establishes the involvement of Anil Kumar (former Deputy Secretary -3) Chidananda (former DS-1), B Sudha (former DS-1), supervisors Mahadevamma V Kamala, K M Ravishankar, Ashwath Narayana and other staffers Muni Bacchegowda, Venkataramannappa and Sanjay Kumar.

The scam came to light when one Naveen Kumar complained to the State Urban Development Department and BDA that former Secretary Basavaraju and other officials had connived to deprive beneficiaries of sites.

In 2005, 541 people living in huts at Hosakerehalli were listed as eligible to receive BDA sites as part of a rehabilitation project. In 2018, 180 people were identified as beneficiaries when the first phase of rehabilitation was completed.

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>
> H R Mahadev, BDA Commissioner

The STF inquiry officer, requesting anonymity, said, "This is a preliminary probe and we have so far only verified 57 sites. The individuals have indulged in six kinds of malpractice - handing over sites to those not in the list, not handing over the amount paid to BDA, allotting sites running into 800 sqft or 1,200 sqft instead of 600 sq ft, allotting 10 individuals two sites or more, allotting sites not present in the layout and allotting corner sites that are only supposed to be auctioned." The notice asks the individuals to reply in three days.

BDA to upload KG Layout details

The BDA on Tuesday assured a RERA court that it would upload individual maps of all the Blocks in the Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Layout on Wednesday. The court was hearing a case in connection with lack of infrastructure in the Layout. BDA also said it would upload details on infrastructure to be executed in each block in a week. "BDA assured the court that details on pending land acquisition details will be uploaded soon," he added.

SILENT NIGHT

With two days to go for Christmas Eve, shoppers make last-minute purchases in the city | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

COLD WAVE ALERT

Bundle up, winter to be 'severe': Met Dept

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

THE winter chill is here to stay. According to the India Meteorological Department (IMD), mercury levels have started to plummet, and a cold wave alert has been issued for Karnataka.

Bengaluru, where a weak sun ruled a cloudless sky, could get some respite for the next two days because of the formation of cloud cover, but the chill will return. A severe cold wave condition has been forecast, especially in north interior Karnataka, and citizens are advised caution.

Temperatures have already begun to dip. Up to 8.30am Tuesday, Bengaluru city recorded a minimum of 14.4 degrees Celsius, while HAL Airport recorded a minimum of 12 degrees Celsius. It is the lowest since 2016, when on December 11, the city had recorded a minimum of 12 degrees Celsius. The lowest ever for Bengaluru has been on December 29, 1883, when the mercury dipped to 8.9 degrees Celsius.

Bidar recorded a minimum of 5.6 degrees Celsius, Vijayapura 9.5 degrees Celsius and Dharwad recorded a minimum of 10.2 degrees Celsius on Tuesday morning. IMD-Bengaluru, director in-charge, C S Patil told TNIE that the Winter Solstice was on Monday, and temperatures are expected to fall. Besides, it has been forecast that winter will be severe this year because of the La Nino effect and the prolonged, severe and delayed South-West and North-East monsoon.

CITIZEN ACTIVISTS CRITICISE NEW BBMP ACT

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE new legislation especially for Bengaluru, which was released by the Government late on Monday night, has drawn strong criticism. Citizen-activist groups and former corporators from opposition and ruling BJP have opposed the bill, terming the BBMP Act 2020 just a rehash of the Karnataka Municipal Act, while many others have started a signature and opinion campaigns.

Tara Krishnaswamy from Citizens for Bengaluru said the aim of the Act was to make administration easier. But with the inclusion of 110 villages into BBMP limits, the problem has remained the same, and the addition of another one kilometre (through the new Act) will have no impact.

The Act would only help the real estate sector and give more powers to political parties. The government should have adopted best practices from other cities, and included the feedback given by citizens to decentralise

Bengaluru or divide the city into various corporations, but none of it has been done, she said.

City experts said that since the government has not included civic agencies such as BDA, BWSSB, Bescom and others under the BBMP Act, smooth administration and redressal of citizen grievances will continue to be a challenge.

A senior BJP leader said, "The term of the Mayor has been increased in the new Act, but the powers of the Mayor have been stripped. It is just a cut, copy, paste of KMC Act. The new Act gives no powers to corporators. It is a violation of the 73rd and 74th amendments of the Constitution. The government has released it in a hurry, with shallow or no perspective in it. Suggestions made by party workers have been ignored."

Abdul Wajid, a former Congress corporator, said, "The only good thing is that the Mayor's term has been increased from one year to 30 months. But the sad part is that he or she has little power. Bureaucrats head the adminstration, the zonal committees, and form the budget and make decisions for Bengalureans. The corporators are only for namesake."

EXPRESS READ

Govt raises allowance for specialist doctors

BENGALURU: The government of Karnataka has revised the special allowance given to specialist doctors, medical officers and dentists working under health department, with effect from September 1, 2020. The decision came after the Karnataka Government Medical Officers Association submitted a memorandum to Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar. The special allowance for MBBS/BDS graduates with 0-6 years of experience has been increased to Rs 30,500. For those with PG degree/Diploma it has been raised to Rs 55,500, and for super specialty doctors to Rs 64,500. For those having 6-13 years of experience, it has been hiked to Rs 37,500 for MBBS/BDS doctors

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

23rd December: The new space race is proceeding fast, with bases planned for the Moon and then Mars. The big question for astrologers is how to work out horoscopes for other planets. It can be done in theory, but it may be quite different to what we are used to, with a totally different sky. I am hoping that we can carry on as we are for now, though!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Today's sensitive Moon lands in an extraordinarily favourable region of your chart and brings you no end of potential for both fun and self-improvement. Family affairs should put the spotlight on children and their interests. In fact, the young-at-heart stand to do well.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Restlessness rises, and you could even be tempted to move home! One way or another there seems to be a great need to improve your domestic existence, perhaps to introduce a splash of colour. At work, any personal friction can be overcome with a willingness to say 'sorry'.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
The Moon is now bound to trigger some of the livelier aspects of your personality. If you were to spend the whole day chattering away and generally expressing your latest opinions, this would be perfect. Mind you, you'd probably be wise to keep at least half an eye on practical responsibilities!

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You really do have a chance to make a fresh start in financial affairs. On one level it's a good day for picking up bargains, but look around and you'll discover ways in which you can boost your long-term prosperity. Perhaps a social liaison offers the security you're looking for.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
The Moon plays a curious role in your chart, suggesting a simultaneous rise in confidence and increase in sensitivity. This is an ideal time to launch yourself into a brave new existence, although there is no pressing need to act today. Any ventures initiated over the next three days will be very important.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Secrecy comes naturally to you. This is not because you wish to deceive anybody, just your belief that certain things are private and not for other people's eyes or ears. You're in an imaginative mood and mystical truths make more sense to you than the so-called facts.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Socially, your life is looking up. Although there have doubtless been some disappointments, you have to see that what is truly necessary now is a willingness to voluntarily let go of certain emotional ties. You never know - loved ones might like the new you!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Professionally you are still on to a winner. In all areas there seems to be a great deal to gain from seeking out fresh responsibilities and pursuing new ambitions. If there should be any setbacks then, strange to say, the way is being opened for even greater success.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Sometimes it's not what people do that's important, but what they think. In other words, philosophical considerations should be taken seriously. You may think they're irrelevant, but you should realise that what you believe shapes your actions and controls your future. Oh, and welcome any new long-distance contacts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Business prospects have seldom been stronger, even if there's some information which cannot be trusted, not to mention people who are unreliable. There is much to gain from launching into some new ventures as long as you keep your options wide open. Domestic improvements could be high on the agenda, with bargains to be had.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
This could be a remarkable time for personal relationships, with the chance of a highly significant meeting rising by the hour. Indeed, your life could be changed by the people who are soon to walk into it. Could that be a good thing? Well, yes, if you handle it right.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
There seems to be much to do on the work front at the moment, and if you can possibly get ahead of yourself, so much the better. It's also a perfect moment to put other people first, encouraging them to do their best and offering them your full support.

THE PHANTOM

KIT IS WHERE HE IS, DIANA... FOR BETTER OR WORSE.
HE'S WALKING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF HIS FOREFATHERS...
THE 11TH AND 16TH PHANTOMS.
Falk 10/21
WHUFF!
WHEN HE'D LEARNED EVERYTHING HE WENT THERE TO LEARN, HE'LL COME HOME.

HI AND LOIS

WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT BIG BAG OF CHIPS I JUST BOUGHT?
I ATE THEM.
YOU MEAN YOU ATE THEM ALL IN ONE SITTING?!
ONCE I CRUNCH, I HAVE TO MUNCH THE WHOLE BUNCH.

BEETLE BAILEY

BLONDIE

THAT'S AN INTERESTING TOY!
IT'S THE LATEST CRAZE: BABY'S FIRST SMARTPHONE
GA GA GOO GOO
MY LITTLE BROOKIE IS A BIT STUBBORN WITH IT, THOUGH
HOW SO?
HE REFUSES TO NAP UNTIL HE'S CHECKED ALL HIS TEXT MESSAGES!
GOO!
Goo!

LOCKHORNS

"LORETTA IS WORRIED HER CURVES HAVE GONE OFF THE ROAD."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"I THINK THERE'S MORE TO DENNIS THAN MEETS THE EYE." "WHAT MEETS THE EYE IS *ENOUGH* FOR ME."

Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

SUDOKU

5			8		7			9
	9		5	4				7
8							5	
		4					7	
			6	1	3			
	8					5		
	1							8
4				7	1		9	
6			2		8			3

HARD

- Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.
- Each sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

9	1	5	7	3	8	4	2	6
3	8	7	4	2	6	5	1	9
4	6	2	9	1	5	7	8	3
7	3	9	6	5	2	1	4	8
6	5	4	1	8	7	3	9	2
1	2	8	3	9	4	6	7	5
8	9	3	5	7	1	2	6	4
2	7	6	8	4	3	9	5	1
5	4	1	2	6	9	8	3	7

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

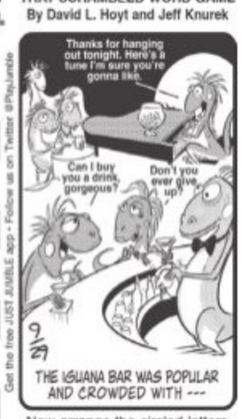
Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

LYODL

ZIPER

SNIYKN

GAUTEO


Thanks for hanging out tonight. Here's a tune I'm sure you're gonna like.
Can I buy you a drink, gorgeous?
Don't you ever give up?
THE IGUANA BAR WAS POPULAR AND CROWDED WITH ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: BUNCH ARENA CANVAS ODDEST
Answer: When the larger fruit seller set up next door, the smaller fruit seller didn't -- STAND A CHANCE

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CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Actors may be faced with it backstage (11)
9 Work put forward but not accepted (7)
10 Act it so as to be understood (5)
11 Double act now extinct (4)
12 His opinion is sure to be of some value (8)
14 God that is around for curative purposes (6)
16 Material mother makes on request (6)
18 Making contact and appealing to one's sympathy (8)
19 Piece of ice destined to give way (4)
22 One understood in radio communications (5)
23 Doubter is disposed to be intrusive (7)
24 Yet they may be the product of an active imagination (4,7)

DOWN

2 Blame one put on the head of Dean Swift (5)
3 Some chap seeking a place in the church (4)
4 The boy most likely to succeed (6)
5 Where barristers practise drinking (2,3,3)
6 Despoiled icon is restored to a city of Cyprus (7)
7 A graphic description? (4,7)
8 Stockholder (11)
13 Having responsibility in attack (2,6)
15 Somehow grudged not being fully conscious of events (7)
17 Such a yarn may produce a groan (6)
20 Give out centre part of text due for revision (5)
21 Of concern to the listener (4)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Cicero, 4 Triangle, 9 Narrow, 10 Cape Horn, 12 Rays, 13 Meaty, 14 Miss, 17 Cause offence, 20 Practice game, 23 Corn, 24 Amend, 25 Nest, 28 Enchants, 29 Cohere, 30 Midnight, 31 Rhesus.

Down: 1 Contract, 2 Carry out, 3 Room, 5 Read the signs, 6 Ages, 7 Gloria, 8 Ernest, 11 Perfect match, 15 Zebra, 16 Screw, 18 Careless, 19 Pertness, 21 Scream, 22 Traced, 26 Bari, 27 Loth.

State tracing UK returnees on priority

Government has received list of all passengers who came from the UK, over 2,000 traced

CHETANA BELAGERE @Bengaluru

EVEN as the Karnataka High Court on Tuesday directed the state to take immediate steps to quarantine passengers arriving from UK and subject them to RT-PCR test and submit the details of tests conducted, the state machinery has already swung into action to trace and track them.

The government has received a list of passengers who arrived from the UK between November 25 and December 22. It is now collecting samples of these passengers and genome sequencing will be done to determine whether the SARS-CoV-2 virus is the new variant emerging and spreading in the UK.

As on December 22, at least 2,127 passengers had arrived in Karnataka from the UK and moved to 28 districts of the state. Of these, 233 samples have been collected, 179 of which are from Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike limits, Bengaluru Urban and Bengaluru Rural districts. Mysuru has the second largest largest chunk with 119 UK returnees, followed by Mangaluru with 58. In Bengaluru, in west zone, there are 287 returnees from the UK; 45 in east zone; 2 in Dasarahalli; in south zone, 29; in Mahadevapura zone, 40, all of whose test results are awaited.

"We are collecting samples of not only the ones who have arrived in the last 14 days but from all passengers who have entered state between November 25 and December 22, irrespective of them being symptomatic or asymptomatic," said Dr K Sudhakar, Minister for Health.

A file photo of passengers at Kempegowda International Airport in Bengaluru | EXPRESS

Rajendra Cholan, BBMP Special Commissioner, health, said that zone-wise teams have been formed with five people in each to exclusively collect samples and data of all those who came from the UK. "If any passenger tests positive, their primary and secondary contacts will be traced and tested. Zone-wise teams have been formed, with five people in each time to collect the samples. They have been assigned the exclusive task of only collecting the samples and data of all those who came from UK," he said.

Samples of people who test positive will be sent for genome sequencing tests (GST) to identify whether the virus is a new variant or not. Experts say each GS test will cost the government Rs 25,000 and reports will take a minimum of three days.

According to Dr K Nagaraj, director, Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Chest Diseases, the samples for the gene testing will be sent to NIMHANS.

Cholan said there were 600 mobile teams in place and "no additional hotel rooms are being taken up for institutional quarantine. The existing hospitals where Covid-19 patients are being treated will be used to house positive patients for institutional quarantine."

The teams are also ensuring that primary and secondary contacts of positive patients, even if in another state, will be tracked and the respective state authorities informed. Genome sequencing will be done for primary and secondary contacts also, said an officer on condition of anonymity.

Meanwhile, a round-the-clock testing facility was launched at the Kempegowda International Airport on Tuesday. The kiosk facility, certified by the National Accreditation Board for testing and calibration of Laboratories and Indian Council for Medical Research and jointly launched by BIAL and Auriga Research Private Limited, also includes the Rapid PCR test which gives results in 13 minutes, costing Rs 2,400 per test. The normal RT-PCR test will cost Rs 800 with results in 24 hours. "Until the test results are received, those tested would be required to wait in a specially demarcated area," a BIAL release said. Slots for testing can be pre-booked on https://testing-lab.com/covid19-testing-center.

Inputs from: Ranjani Madhavan, Iffath Fathima, S Lalitha and Yathiraju

GOVT ISSUES SOPs FOR MARKETS

1. Sub-committee to be formed at each market to ensure Covid-19 appropriate behaviour
2. Mask dispensing kiosks to be set up at entry points, parking lots.
3. Set up hand washing stations in public, sanitiser dispensers, thermal screening in shops
4. People advised to stay home: People aged above 65, children below 10, pregnant women, people with comorbidities
5. Market employees who are high-risk to take precautions
6. Physical distancing, sanitising in markets
7. Ensure no crowding during weekends, civil defence volunteers, marshals to keep check

Experts: Plasma therapy could have triggered new virus strain

A health worker collects samples in Gandhinagar in Bengaluru on Tuesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

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WHILE scientists and experts are still working on how the new SARS-CoV-2 variant evolved, there is a working hypothesis which says this variant came from a chronically immunocompromised patient who was treated with human convalescent plasma to protect against Covid-19. Epidemiologists in India claim that a study needs to be done to see if there is possibility of a similar occurrence in India.

"We may not find the same strain, but there may be chances of finding different strains. Hence, it becomes important for the country to go back and examine all those chronically immunocompromised people who were given plasma therapy," said Dr Giridhara Babu, senior epidemiologist and adviser, Covid-19 Task Force Committee.

The earlier strain was sort of incomplete, and could not elicit effective antigen and receptor binding. The new strain seems like a perfect lock and key fit, and hence, the infectiousness is high, Dr Babu said.

A report by COG-UK Consortium Scientists said they found this new strain in a patient who is immunocompromised and was on plasma therapy.

According to a senior virologist, immunocompromised patients are generally treated with convalescent plasma once or more, and also put on the drug Remdesivir. A study done earlier by other researchers has shown that plasma therapy given when the viral load is high, leads to increased virus genetic diversity.

Explaining the report further, Dr Giridhara Babu said immunocompromised patients don't have a natural 'immune' response. "Their immune system is like a blank slate with not much ability to mount an attack against the virus. Hence, when we give a passive antibody which is received from someone else, for a longer time, the virus goes through these kind of modifications. Virus genome sequencing reveals an unusually large number of nucleotide changes and deletion mutations. Convalescent plasma, when given when viral load is high, is found to be associated with genetic diversity," he said.

However, Dr Vishal Rao, Head and Neck Oncologist at HCG who was the first to implement convalescent plasma therapy in Karnataka, said, "This is only a hypothesis without experimental proof, where they have assumed that tachyphylaxis lead to point mutations which could be from antivirals, monoclonal antibodies or any other therapy against the virus. They should include Remdesivir or steroids too as potential reasons. It is too far-fetched and in the current scenario with no treatment, we would end up killing all hopes of patients."

Also, till the arrival of the many vaccines, he suggests that plasma therapy remains a method of treatment and has seen a good number of recoveries.

SAFETY FIRST

New Year restrictions in place: CM

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CHIEF Minister B S Yediyurappa explained that all international travellers will be checked at the airports itself before allowing them into the state. To a question on imposing night ban he said, "There is no need for it here for now. Restrictions for New Year celebrations are already in place".

The Maharashtra government on Monday had announced a night curfew in municipal corporation areas as a precautionary step amid growing concerns over the new virus strain spreading in Britain.

However, Karnataka Health Minister K Sudhakar said, he will discuss with the CM regarding imposing night curfew in the state, but ruled out the possibility of a lockdown.

"I held discussions with the Union Health Department Secretary, who said that there was no reason to worry, but necessary precautionary measures should be taken. There is no question of a lockdown and, in my personal opinion, certain activities like partying, gathering in numbers during night times can be stopped. I will meet the CM and discuss with him about the night curfew," he added.

Meanwhile, Health Commissioner Pankaj Kumar Pandey said the state Health Department is imposing quarantine norms only for international travellers from the UK, but not for inter-state travellers. "As of now, we are not imposing any quarantine rules for inter-state travellers. We will implement it later if the situation demands," Pandey told TNIE.

EXPRESS READ

BBMP Commissioner tests positive

BENGALURU: BBMP Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad has tested positive for Covid-19 and is in Mallige Hospital. The BBMP has asked those who came in contact with him should also get themselves tested. A BBMP official said Prasad has not handed over charge to anyone as he is keen on resuming work in three days. ENS

Jeeva Sarthakate to boost organ donation

Bengaluru: A meeting presided over by Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education Minister Dr K Sudhakar on Monday decided that the Jeeva Sarthakate programme will be recognised as the State Organ Tissue Transplant Organisation to encourage organ donation in the state. ENS

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The villagers of Kambipura in Malur taluk abstained from voting in the first phase of the gram panchayat polls held on Tuesday despite the district administration officials trying to change their minds

IN FESTIVAL OF DEMOCRACY, VILLAGERS SHINE

● Tribals on the fringes of Mysuru walk long distances to cast their vote seeking better roads, water ● Symbol mismatch in Kalaburagi leads to postponement

(Clockwise from top left) Health workers check the temperature of voters in Hunsur on Tuesday; 85-year-old Shanta Bai Nilkant Asnotikar leaves after voting in Karwar; Voters maintain social distance to cast their votes in Hosa Ramanahalli; KPCC president D K Shivakumar and his wife Usha stand in a queue to cast their vote in Ramanagara | UDAYSHANKAR S, EXPRESS

Tribals trek, wait in long queues to cast votes

KARTHIK K K @Mysuru

TRIBALS living on the fringes of forests in Mysuru district voted in large numbers in the Gram Panchayat elections on Tuesday with the hope of seeing some development in their hamlets.

Villages just outside the forest in HD Kote and Hunsur taluks have large populations of tribals, and have been neglected for long. The residents here have no proper drinking water, road or transport facilities.

These sleepy hamlets have woken up to the need for better infrastructure and the educated among the tribal communities are contesting the election, promising development.

Voters from these villages were at the polling booth even before they opened at 7 am. Around noon, a polling booth at Ummathur had a long queue of nearly 150 voters waiting to exercise their franchise.

Some of the voters said that electing an efficient candidate will help them pressurise the government to implement the Forest Rights Act and to find a solution to the problem faced by tribals, who were displaced during rehabilitation, in getting title deeds.

A crowd gathers outside a polling booth in Bilikere on Tuesday | UDAYSHANKAR S

Several tribals had walked nearly 7-8 km to reach the polling booth at Nagapura Ashrama School.

Kenche Gowda, Panchayat Development Officer of Ummathur, said that the response to the election in the region was good since morning. "People from Bunde Besta, Hakki-Pikki and other nomadic communities, residing in Pakshirajapura, Bunde Bestara Colony and other hamlets, are enthusiastically participating in the elections," he said, even as the polling was on.

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> Kenche Gowda, Ummathu Panchayat Development Officer

Polls postponed in Kalaburagi dist over wrong symbol

RAMKRISHNA BADSESHI @Kalaburagi

ELECTIONS were postponed at Ward No 1 of Kinni Sadak village and halted for a few minutes at Ward No 2 of Srichand village, both from the Kamalapur taluk in the first phase of Gram Panchayat elections on Tuesday. At K Tuppadoor village of Sirwar taluk in Raichur district repolling was held after a couple of hours because of wrong printing and confusion over the symbol allotted to a candidate.

Kamalapur Tahsildar Ramesh Pedde told The New Indian Express that the date of repolling at Kinni Sadak ward will be announced shortly. One of the candidates, Jayaraj Halage, noticed the change of symbol allotted to him in the ballot paper and brought it to the notice of the returning officer. Jayaraj told the officer that he was allotted the trumpet symbol, but on the ballot paper, it was a man blowing a bugle against his name, causing confusion among voters. The polling was stopped immediately and a report was sent to the Kalaburagi Deputy Commissioner, he said.

At ward No 2 of Srichand village of the same taluk, the polling was stopped for a few minutes as candidate Gajanand Dattaprasad complained that though he was allotted the symbol of paste, the ballot paper had brush and paste. After verifying the records, it was found that the symbol printed on the ballot paper was correct and polling continued, the tahsildar said.

Jayaraj Halagi shows the returning officer the wrong symbol on the ballot paper against his name, in Kalaburagi on Tuesday | EXPRESS

Raichur Assistant Commissioner Santosh Kamegowda said that at K. Tuppadoor village under Ganadinni Gram Panchayat in Sirawar taluk, Siddamma was allotted the symbol of mud pot, but the ballot paper had the auto symbol. The ballot papers were reprinted and the polling commenced after two hours.

CANDIDATE ENDS LIFE

Dharwad: A gram panchayat poll candidate allegedly ended his life on Tuesday by hanging himself in his home in Garag village. The deceased, Damodar Yeligar (36), was contesting from Ward No 2 of Garag. Police are yet to ascertain the reason why he took this extreme step. A case has been registered at Garag police station. According to the police, while he took such an extreme step none were at home. Meanwhile, District Election Officer and Deputy Commissioner Nitesh Patil clarified that the election process would continue and there was no question of countermanding the polls. ENS

Polling staffer detained for carrying pistol

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VOTERS, who included the aged, the physically challenged, women and the youth, had to walk some distance to reach polling stations. Farmers and farm labourers took a break from harvesting work and went to polling booths. Somavva, mother of late Union Minister Suresh Angadi, who is in her late 80s, too cast her vote.

Politicians including KPCC president D K Shivakumar cast his vote at Doddalahalli in Kanakapura while Agriculture Minister B C Patil voted at Hirekerur in Chitradurga district. Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambareesh cast her vote at Maddur while Pontiff Shivamurthy Murughrajendra Swamiji voted in Chitradurga. At many polling stations, Covid patients were also allowed to vote.

The election this time also witnessed many firsts. Voters of Tidigol-Nidigol in Sindanur taluk of Raichur district and Hangaraki in Dharwad taluk voted for the first time since they became Gram Panchayats in 1993. All these years, members were elected unopposed. For voters of seven villages in Koratagere taluk of Tumakuru district and Doddaballapura in Bengaluru Rural district, it was the last election as the villages will be submerged for an irrigation project.

A polling staffer was detained at Desur village in Belagavi for carrying a pistol inside a polling booth. "We will conduct election for this Panchayath in the second phase," Election Commissioner Basavaraju said. At Rudrapatna village in Hassan district, there was a tussle between police and the villagers over distribution of food.

Excise minister says graft charges against him 'baseless'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

EXCISE Minister **H Nagesh** on Tuesday denied allegations of corruption made against him by a senior official of his department, saying they are baseless. Nagesh said he will file a defamation case against the official and his daughter.

Recently, Mohan Kumar, a joint commissioner of excise at Hosapete, filed a complaint at the e-spandana (e-grievance) cell, alleging that the minister demanded a bribe to transfer him.

The officer's daughter, Sneha, too had written a letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, saying Nagesh demanded Rs 1 crore for the transfer.

Sneha stated that as there was a vacant post in Bengaluru division, they approached the minister seeking a transfer for her ailing father from Hosapete.

She also alleged that the minister's associates, L A Manjunath and Harsha, worked as brokers for the transfer.

Nagesh said that the father-daughter duo is indulging in mudslinging to blackmail him. He sought a probe, saying he is ready for it.

GETTING BYPOLL READY

BJP sits pretty, but Congress struggles

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

DATES for bypolls to Maski and Basavakalyan assembly seats and Belagavi Lok Sabha constituency are yet to be announced, but the BJP has hit the ground running, with booth-level preparations. The party is yet to finalise names of candidates.

The Congress, on the other hand, under intense pressure to pull off a win, is struggling to identify "winnable" candidates.

Soon after winning Rajarajeshwari Nagar and Sira, BJP leaders turned their focus on Maski, Basavakalyan and Belagavi. B Y Vijayendra, a state vice-president, has already visited Basavakalyan.

The State government recently called tenders to finalise the design for construction of Anubhava Mantapa in Basavakalyan, the land of 12th century spiritual leader Basavanna. With a large Lingayat population in Basavakalyan, Maski and even Belagavi, this move is, no doubt, well-timed.

State BJP Secretary Ravikumar said groundwork has begun in all three constituencies. A team of 30 members has been formed, besides WhatsApp groups at the booth level, which will take instructions from the top to the last person in the village. It is an organised campaign, similar to the one launched in Sira.

On the other hand, the Congress is struggling to finalise candidates, except in Maski, where candidates have swapped parties. Basanagouda Turvihal, who contested on a BJP ticket against Prathapgouda Patil in 2018 and lost, joined the Congress, while Patil moved to the BJP. The rivals will faceoff again, with the memory of Turvihal's 213-vote loss still fresh in the public mind.

In Basavakalyan, there are a few contenders, including former Chief Minister Dharam Singh's son Vijay Singh.

Congress leaders are keen to give the ticket to a family member of Narayana Rao, whose death due to Covid necessitated the byelection.

"It's not about giving the ticket to any candidate, we need a winnable candidate. We have to win this bypoll, especially after the bad show RR Nagar and Sira," said a senior leader on condition of anonymity.

KPCC Working President Saleem Ahmed said two committees, headed by Eshwar Khandre and Satish Jarkiholi, will list out candidates for Basavakalyan and Belagavi and submit their recommendations to KPCC President DK Shivakumar, and the names will be finalised by the high command.

Saffron party starts work on zilla, taluk level polls

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE state BJP is on a mission mode to spread its footprint across the state. While the elections to Gram Panchayats are yet to be over, the party is already gearing up for Zilla Panchayat (ZP) and Taluk Panchayat (TP) elections, which are due only in April.

The party top brass has instructed its cadre to win these grassroots polls, which will lay the ground for winning Assembly and Lok Sabha elections.

At the BJP executive committee meeting, which is to be held in the first week of January, party leaders are expected to brainstorm on these elections. BJP state president **Nalin Kumar Kateel** is said to be stressing on the party adopting the same strategy that was deployed for Gram Panchayat polls.

Party workers at the booth level have already started an 'unofficial campaign' by visiting houses in villages, sources said.

"The idea is to strengthen the party at the grassroots level, which will eventually help us win bigger elections too," a party leader said.

"The tactics used for the Gram Panchayat polls are expected to pay off as over one lakh party workers were given the responsibility of driving the party to victory. To pull the rural masses to the party, we will organise meetings at the district level and ensure that elected representatives take part in them. Workers have been told to talk to people about the programmes introduced by the central and state BJP governments," the leader added.

It is learnt that the same six teams of senior leaders who had worked for the Gram Panchayat polls will tour across the state, organise workers and prepare them for the upcoming elections.

It is also said that the party has decided to give the responsibility of working for the elections to those who win the Gram Panchayat polls.

STARSTRUCK

This Gadag teacher a star, ensures villagers don't miss out on spectacle

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @Gadag

THE conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn is a rare astronomical event. But villagers of Sudi in Gadag district would have missed the spectacle if not for a government school teacher at the village.

The teacher, Ashok Undi, 40, informed the villagers about the "wonder in the sky" and asked them to assemble at the place where he had set up a high-power telescope. The vantage point was the terrace of the school building. The villagers came in droves and watched the amazing sight through the telescope. They thanked the teachers and students of the school for making it possible.

Ashok told *The New Indian Express* that he is happy to "spend almost half of his salary on new equipment for the government school and likes to involve the locals in such activities". He is said to have shown eclipses to people in the past. He periodically screens science-based documentaries for their benefit.

Anita, a resident of Sudi, who watched the conjunction, said, "We had heard about planets but never thought we could watch them closely. It was a complete fun experience and for someone who spends most of their time in fields and the kitchen it was good knowledge. Ashok sir had told us about this before he showed it through a telescope. All of us, especially the women, enjoyed it a lot. We asked him to show us more such events as we are interested in science."

Locals view the Jupiter-Saturn conjunction through a telescope in Sudi village of Gadag district late on Monday | EXPRESS

Ashok told, "I try to do this all the time. This time, I thought I would show my people particularly the seniors and women the conjunction of planets. Most residents of our village watched the rare astronomical phenomenon. Now, they are demanding that I conduct classes on more such scientific matters."

Ram Mandir: VHP volunteers to visit villages

ENS @Bengaluru

VISHWA Hindu Parishad (VHP) volunteers will reach out to 90 lakh people in 27,500 villages across Karnataka, seeking funds for the construction of Ram Temple in Ayodhya. They have formed teams of five members each to visit these villages and collect Rs 10, Rs 100 and Rs 1,000 as donations, said VHP working president Alok Kumar, who was in Bengaluru on Tuesday.

He said that VHP will go door-to-door in four lakh villages and reach out to 11 crore families across the country to collect donations for the construction of the mandir and other facilities in Ayodhya. The team members will be given printed coupons of Rs 10, Rs 100 and Rs 1,000 denominations.

The donations are deposited in the Teerth Kshetra bank account within 48 hours and the volunteers have been given a code number at the nearest branch of one of three banks — State Bank of India, Bank of Baroda and Punjab National Bank.

EXPRESS READ

Siddaramaiah lacks leadership, civility, says BJP MP

Mysuru: Continuing his tirade against the Congress Legislature Party leader, BJP MP V Srinivas Prasad said Siddaramaiah has lost his sheen. "Congress has not won any major election under his leadership after he demitted the Chief Minister's office. He lacks leadership qualities. Congress leaders have written a letter to the high command, saying the party would be ruined if he continues to lead," he said. Siddaramaiah lacks civility as he addresses everyone in the singular maintaining that he has come from rural background. ENS

To compensate the loss of days due to the pandemic this year, the High Court has increased the number of working days in 2021. It has declared that 11 non-working Saturdays will be working days for the Principal Bench in Bengaluru and benches at Dharwad and Kalaburagi. The working days are Jan 16, Feb 6, March 6, April 17, May 29, June 19, July 24, Aug 7, Sept 4, Oct 23 and Dec 18

DRUG PEDDLING

Police: Tough to track illegal foreigners, bring them to book

Those arrested have also been booked under the Passport Act

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

FOREIGNERS in India who have been arrested for their involvement in criminal activities have also been booked under the Passport Act after law enforcement agencies found that their passports were fake.

According to sources, in the two recent contraband drug haul cases in the City by the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), "The passport of two Nigerians, B Onovo and C Okwor, who were arrested last month under the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act for allegedly smuggling pseudoephedrine, a controlled substance, were reportedly fake."

In the recent drug bust case involving smuggling of MDMA and cocaine, the passports and even visas of the two accused Kenyan nationals, Ramla Shedafa Nancy and Emmanuel

Michael, were allegedly fake, the source added. "They have no official documents and have been living in a rented house in Bengaluru North without a rental agreement," said the source.

"This is a grey area where law enforcement agencies find it difficult to bring foreigners who are involved in crime in India, to justice. When they are arrested for a crime and later enlarged on bail on condition that they will not leave the country, they move cities and continue with criminal activities. It is difficult to track their movement and even more difficult to get them deported to their country in the absence of legal documents such as a valid passport," said another officer.

Of late, in Karnataka, the detention centre for illegal immigrants in Sondekoppa village near Nelamangala is being used to lodge such foreigners, who have been caught on the wrong side of the law, including living in India with long-expired visas. "There were eight foreigners lodged in the detention centre, four of whom have been repatriated to their country," said another officer.

"One Sudanese, one South Sudanese, a Tanzanian and a Kazakh national have been sent back. Four illegal immigrants, including three Bangladeshis and a Congo national, are at the centre awaiting deportation," said the officer.

The Foreigner Regional Registration Offices (FRRO) under the Ministry of Home Affairs, is empowered under Section 3 of the Foreigners Act to restrict foreigners who are living in contravention of passport and visa rules, those who are not registered with the FRRO or are involved in criminal cases, and are facing deportation after the completion of court proceedings.

NCB seizes MDMA, cocaine worth ₹55L

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

IN a major crackdown on the supply of contraband narcotic and psychotropic drugs in the city, the Bengaluru Zonal Unit (BZU) of the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), has seized MDMA pills and cocaine worth an estimated Rs 55 lakh in the grey market.

Director of the Bengaluru Zonal Unit, Amit Ghawate, said that on "credible inputs" from Customs officials in Bengaluru, the NCB had seized 3,000 "high grade" MDMA (methylenedioxymethamphetamine) pills weighing 610gm and 235gm of cocaine from the foreign post office in the city.

"The NCB has arrested two alleged Kenyan nationals - Ramla Shedafa Nancy and Emmanuel Michael. They had come to India on student and tourist visas and were allegedly found peddling contraband drugs. The NCB has seized their passports, which prima facie, look fake," said the officer. The Central counter-drug agency seized the MDMA or Ecstasy pills from a parcel at the foreign post office, Bengaluru on December 17.

"The high grade yellow and grey coloured Ecstasy pills were concealed in layers of a table cloth," said Ghawate. "As per the preliminary investigation, MDMA pills were smuggled from the Netherlands to Bengaluru for distribution. On December 18 we arrested Nancy and Michael, who had come to collect the parcel, under the NDPS Act," he added.

HC DECLINES TO QUASH LAND DENOTIFICATION CASE AGAINST BSY

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

IN a major setback to Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa, the Karnataka High Court on Tuesday dismissed his petition seeking to quash the criminal proceedings pending against him under Prevention of Corruption of Act. The case relates to Yediyurappa allegedly illegally denotifying several acres of land, acquired for an IT project, in the Varthur-Whitefiled IT corridor when he was Deputy Chief Minister during 2006-07.

Dismissing the petition, Justice John Michael Cunha directed the Lokayukta court to monitor the investigation ordered by the courts in respect of the misconduct of public servants and MPs and MLAs involved in the commission of criminal offences. However, the judge deprecated the laxity of the Lokayukta police in conducting the probe, holding them responsible for intentional and deliberate delay in probe.

"Though, at this juncture, it cannot be said that Lokayukta police succumbed to pressure from Yediyurappa, who has been holding the position of Chief Minister, yet, being an independent and impartial body entrusted with the duty to investigate into the misconduct of public servants objectively, they cannot give rise to an impression in the minds of the general public that it is playing into the hands of the political bigwigs", the judge said.

The counsel for Yediyurappa argued that the High Court, on October 9, 2015, had quashed the very same FIR against former Industries minister and Congress leader R V Deshpande. Therefore, investigation against Yediyurappa based on same FIR is illegal and amounts to abuse of process of court, he argued. However, the court turned down this contention.

The Lokayukta police had taken up investigation in to the case registered on February 21, 2015 under the Prevention of Corruption Act, following an order passed by the Lokayukta Court based on a private complaint filed by Vasudeva Reddy, a resident of Bellandur in the city.

HC's DA relief for BEL, HAL workmen

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru:

IN a relief to workers of Bharat Electronics Limited and Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, the Karnataka High Court on Tuesday passed an interim order staying operation of the office memorandum freezing Dearness Allowance (DA) of workmen by both the central government undertakings.

IN THE HC

Passing the interim order after hearing the petitions filed by Bharat Electronics Workers' Union and HAL Employees' Association, questioning the office memorandum dated November 19, 2020, Justice R Devdas directed both BEL and HAL to ensure payment of DA with effect from October 1, 2020, and also issued notice to the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises, BEL and HAL.

Arguing on behalf of Bharat Electronics Workers' Union and HAL Employees' Association, senior counsel Subbarao argued that DA should be paid to workmen as per the All India Consumer Price Index once in three months, depending on the cost of living.

However, a memorandum was issued by the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises, Government of India, freezing DA for non-unionised supervisors and executives, in view of the crisis arising out of Covid-19, from October 1, 2020.

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NOTIFICATION FOR FACULTY RECRUITMENT

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Undersigned counsel for the petitioner herewith filed a case on behalf of the petitioner **PRAVEEN .J** AND OTHERS V/s respondent the Commissioner, Register of Birth and Deaths, BBMP, Bangalore at ACMM, Bangalore, C.Misc regarding the the death of deceased name as **PUSHPA .S W/o M. JOSEPH RAJ expired on 09-03-2015 intestate at No. 45, 3rd Cross, Anandapura, T.C. Palya, K.R. Puram, Bangalore-560048,** Interested parties are hereby call to appear in this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on **16/01/2021 at about 11:00 AM** inform the show cause against the petitioner, failing where in the appearance will be heard and declare as Ex-party, any person interested to file their objection in this matter within 7 days before the court as above on before.

B. MANJUNATHA, Advocate
No. 4, 3rd Floor, MSKS Building, Sirur Park Road, Behind Nataraja Theatre, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore-560020. Mob: 9741277751. Dt: 15-12-2020

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Notice is hereby given to General Public that the following document has been lost and not traceable, by my client, Smt. B. V. Shreelakshmi. If found inform to **Smt. B. Mallika, Advocate**, No. 10, 1st Floor, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Saraswathipuram, Nandini layout, Bangalore- 560 096, within eight days from the date of publication.

Original sale deed dated 24/10/1990, executed by Sri. Munihanumaiah and others, in favour of Sri. K. Selvan S/o. Late. Sri. K. Kannan, registered document no. 3480/1990-1991, Book I, Volume no.4467, Pages 145 to 149 on 25/10/1990, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore North Taluk with respect to selling the Site no.58, measuring 1200 Sq., ft, formed out of Old Assessment no. 31 and New Assessment no. 31/1, Khatha no.108, Situated at Muddinapalya village.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

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No. U-SG-13-2020-21 dated 21.12.2020

Senior Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer, Southern Railway, Madurai Division for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tender for the following work as per detailed tender notice given in our e-tender portal **www.ireps.gov.in**. The tenderer(s) intending to apply need to get enrolled in the e-tender portal **"www.ireps.gov.in"** and only online tenders will be accepted. **The cost of tender form & EMD can be made only on online gateway payment through multiple banks, net banking, debit card & credit card.** The date of closing is **12.01.2021** at **15.00hrs.** All relevant credentials & supporting documents are to be scanned and uploaded along with the offer

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WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

(See Sections 25 to 28 of The Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 Read with Rule 31 of The II Schedule to the Income Tax Act, 1961)

DCP No.509/2020 in OA No.1696/2018

UCO Bank v/s M/s. Guru HVAC and others

1. **M/s. Guru HVAC,** A Partnership Firm represented by its Managing Partners Sri Srinivasa Gowda, No. 881, 2nd Stage, Dr. M. C. Modi Hospital Road, WOC Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bengaluru - 560 086.
2. **Sri B. T. Srinivasa Gowda,** S/o. Late B.Thimmaiah, Residing at No. 813/A, First Main Road, NGO Layout, Vrushabhavathi Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 079.
3. **Sri M. Anusuya** W/o. Sri M. D. Nagaraju, Residing at No.14/3, Nandagokula House, Diwanarapalya, 8th Cross, HMT Main Road, II Phase, Gokula First Stage, Bengaluru - 560 054. **...Defendants**

Whereas, Certificate Debtors 1 to 3 were ordered by the Recovery Certificate of this Tribunal passed on 15.10.2020 in O.A. No.1696 of 2018 to pay to the Applicant **Rs.6,91,92,140/-** and whereas the said has not been paid by the CDs.

This is to command to attach the immovable property of the said Certificate Debtors as set forth in the Schedule hereunto annexed and unless they said shall pay to you the above said sum and the costs of this attachment to hold the same until further orders from the Recovery Officer.

Further it is commanded to return the Warrant on next hearing with an endorsement certifying the day on which and the manner in which it has been executed or why it has not been executed.

SCHEDULE-I: All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Anusuya M. bearing Municipal No.14/3, Sy.No.15, Re-Survey No. 15/3, BBMP ward No.4, PID No. 4-136-14/3, 8th'A' Cross Road, Gokula 2nd Phase, 1st Stage, GokulaLayout, Divanarapalya. Mathikere Village, Bengaluru. measuring East to West: 60 Feet and North to South: 34 Feet, on the Eastern side and 40 feet on the Western side in all measuring 2220 Sq.ft and bounded on: East by: D.M. Yathiraju's Property; West by: B.M. Krishnamurth/s Property; North by: 8th 'A' Cross Road; South by: B.M. Balakrishna's Property & Private Property.

SCHEDULE-II: All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Anusuya M. bearing No.22, Sy.No.18/1. BBMP ward No.4, PID No. 4-103-22, HMT Main Road, Gokula 2nd Phase, 1st Stage, Mathikere Village, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 50.6 Feet and North to South: 38 Feet, on the Eastern side and 40 feet on the Western side in all measuring 1922.80 Sq.ft. and bounded on East by: HMT Main Road; Westby: D.M. Balakrishna's Property &M.Anusuya's Property; North by: M. Narayanaswamappa's Property; South by: B.M. Krishnamurthy's Property.

SCHEDULE-III: All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Anusuya M. bearing No.689, Sy.No,19/1, BBMP ward No.7, PID No.7-18-689, 8thCross, 6thMain Road, Gokula1st Phase, 1st Stage, Mathikere Village, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 50 Feet and North to South 80 Feet, the Eastern side and 75 feet on Western side in all measuring 3875Sq.ft. and bounded on: East by: D.M. Yathiraju's Property, West by: 6th Main Road; North by: 8thCross Road; South by: 8th'A' Cross Road;.

SCHEDULE-IV: All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Anusuya M. bearing No.46, Old No.22/1, Sy.No.18/1, BBMP ward No.4, 3rdMain Road, Gokula1st Stage, 2nd Phase, Mathikere Village, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 50 Feet and North to South: 38 Feet, in all measuring 1900 Sq.ft. and bounded on: East by: D.M. Nagaraju's Property (at present in M. Anusuya name); West by: Road; North by: M. Narayanaswmy's Property; South by: B.M.Krishnamurthy's Property & D.M.Yathitraju's Property.

SCHEDULE-V: All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Anusuya M. bearing No.23, Sy.No.78, ward No.17, 9thCross, SBM Colony, Vrindavan Nagar. Mathikere Village, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 40 Feet and North to South: 45 Feet, in all measuring 1800Sq.ft. and bounded on; East by: Private Property; West by: Road; North by: Kodihalli sewage line road; South by: M Sarojamma's Property.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 01.12.2020

Sd/- (Rajasekharan R.)
Recovery Officer-1, DRT-1, Bengaluru

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NOTICE FOR SETTLING A SALE PROCLAMATION

(See Rule 53 of the II Schedule to the Income Tax Act 1961)
Notice for settling a sale proclamation.

DCP No.509/2020 in OA No.1696/2018

UCO Bank v/s M/s. Guru HVAC and others

1. **M/s. Guru HVAC,** A Partnership Firm represented by its Managing Partners Sri Srinivasa Gowda, No. 881, 2nd Stage, Dr. M. C. Modi Hospital Road, WOC Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bengaluru - 560 086.
2. **Sri B. T. Srinivasa Gowda,** S/o. Late B.Thimmaiah, Residing at No. 813/A, First Main Road, NGO Layout, Vrushabhavathi Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 079.
3. **Sri M. Anusuya** W/o. Sri M. D. Nagaraju, Residing at No.14/3, Nandagokula House, Diwanarapalya, 8th Cross, HMT Main Road, II Phase, Gokula First Stage, Bengaluru - 560 054. **...Defendants**

Whereas in execution of certificate DCP No.509/2020 in OA No.1696/2018 drawn up by the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bangalore, the undersigned has ordered the sale of the under mentioned schedule immovable property.

This is hereby informed that a day on or after the 15th day from the date of serving this notice has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof. You are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attaching to the said properties or any portion thereof.

SCHEDULE-I: All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Anusuya M. bearing Municipal No.14/3, Sy.No.15, Re-Survey No. 15/3, BBMP ward No.4, PID No. 4-136-14/3, 8th'A' Cross Road, Gokula 2nd Phase, 1st Stage, GokulaLayout, Divanarapalya. Mathikere Village, Bengaluru. measuring East to West: 60 Feet and North to South: 34 Feet, on the Eastern side and 40 feet on the Western side in all measuring 2220 Sq.ft and bounded on: East by: D.M. Yathiraju's Property; West by: B.M. Krishnamurth/s Property; North by: 8th 'A' Cross Road; South by: B.M. Balakrishna's Property & Private Property.

SCHEDULE-II: All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Anusuya M. bearing No.22, Sy.No.18/1. BBMP ward No.4, PID No. 4-103-22, HMT Main Road, Gokula 2nd Phase, 1st Stage, Mathikere Village, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 50.6 Feet and North to South: 38 Feet, on the Eastern side and 40 feet on the Western side in all measuring 1922.80 Sq.ft. and bounded on East by: HMT Main Road; Westby: D.M. Balakrishna's Property &M.Anusuya's Property; North by: M. Narayanaswamappa's Property; South by: B.M. Krishnamurthy's Property.

SCHEDULE-III: All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Anusuya M. bearing No.689, Sy.No,19/1, BBMP ward No.7, PID No.7-18-689, 8thCross, 6thMain Road, Gokula1st Phase, 1st Stage, Mathikere Village, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 50 Feet and North to South 80 Feet, the Eastern side and 75 feet on Western side in all measuring 3875Sq.ft. and bounded on: East by: D.M. Yathiraju's Property, West by: 6th Main Road; North by: 8thCross Road; South by: 8th'A' Cross Road;.

SCHEDULE-IV: All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Anusuya M. bearing No.46, Old No.22/1, Sy.No.18/1, BBMP ward No.4, 3rdMain Road, Gokula1st Stage, 2nd Phase, Mathikere Village, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 50 Feet and North to South: 38 Feet, in all measuring 1900 Sq.ft. and bounded on: East by: D.M. Nagaraju's Property (at present in M. Anusuya name); West by: Road; North by: M. Narayanaswmy's Property; South by: B.M.Krishnamurthy's Property & D.M.Yathitraju's Property.

SCHEDULE-V: All that piece and parcel of property belonging to Anusuya M. bearing No.23, Sy.No.78, ward No.17, 9thCross, SBM Colony, Vrindavan Nagar. Mathikere Village, Bengaluru, measuring East to West: 40 Feet and North to South: 45 Feet, in all measuring 1800Sq.ft. and bounded on; East by: Private Property; West by: Road; North by:Kodihalli sewage line road; South by: M Sarojamma's Property.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 01.12.2020

Sd/- (Rajasekharan R.)
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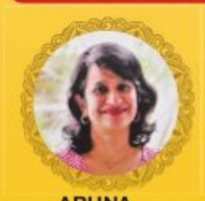

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor(s) indicated in Column (A) that the below described immovable property(ties) described in Column (C) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive / physical possession of which has been taken as described in column (D) by the Authorized Officer of Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited (HDFC Ltd) Secured Creditor, will be sold on"As is where is","As is what is", and "Whatever there is" as per the details mentioned below :

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	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E&F)	(G)
Sl	Name/s of Borrower(s)/ Mortgager(s)/ Guarantor(s)/	Outstanding dues to be recovered (Secured Debt) (Rs.)*	Description of the Immovable Property / Secured Asset (1 Sq. mtr. is equivalent to 10.76 Sq.ft)	Type of Possession	Reserve Price (Rs.) ---------- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs)	Date of Auction and Time
1	Mrs. Bhuyan Priti Kalita (Borrower) Mr. Bhuyan Dhruba Jyoti (Co-borrower) Loan Account No's : 620397325 and 621388741	Rs.88,54,706/- in Loan Account No.620397325 and Rs.6,45,944/- in Loan Account No.621388741 totally accruing to Rs.95,00,650/- (Rupees Ninety Five Lakhs Six Hundred and Fifty Only) due as on 31.03.2019	Flat No. 202 which is a 3-BHK apartment on the second floor of the multi-storied building known as 'ROCK EMERALD' with super built up area 1518 sq. ft. , with one covered car parking and undivided share of land of 563.7 sq. ft. in the land on which the building is constructed. The building is situated on the Doddikunte Village, M M Road, Coxt Town, Bengaluru	Physical Possession	Rs. 72,50,000/- (Rupees Seventy Two Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only) ---------- Rs.7,25,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
2	Mr. Gabrial Dcruz Johnson (Borrower) Mrs. Johnson Beenamol (Co-Borrower) Loan A/C No. 600514028	Rs.19,84,298/- (Rupees Nineteen Lakhs Eighty Four Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety Eight Only) due as on 30.04.2019	All that piece and parcel of residential three bedroom apartment bearing No. FLAT G9-606, on the 6th floor having super built area 1075 sq.ft. and UDS of 312.47 sq.ft. with one open reserved car parking in the building known as 'PROVIDENT WELLWORTHCITY' in Block/Wing-G, situated on Survey Numbers 30 to 34, 161, Kadthanamale Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taulk, Bengaluru, Karnataka.	Physical Possession	Rs.28,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.2,80,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Eighty Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
3	Mr. Bhateley Pravin (Borrower) Mrs. Nisha Menon (Co-Borrower) Loan A/c No: 615008810 & 615009275	Rs.36,48,632/- in Loan Account No.61508810 and Rs.3,42,495/- in Loan Account No.615009275 totally accruing to Rs.39,91,127/- (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Ninety One Thousand One Hundred and Twenty Seven Only) due as on 30.06.2019	All that piece and parcel of residential apartment No.210, on the 2nd floor in Block -A, of the building known as 'LOTUS PETALS' having super built up area of 1240 sq.ft. and UDS of 424 sq.ft. with one car parking situated at Survey Numbers 78, Kamanahalli Village, Begur, Hobli, Bangalore South, Bangalore.	Physical Possession	Rs.42,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Two Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.4,20,000/- (Rupees Four Lakh Twenty Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
4	Mr.Ballabh Sasty Saklani (Borrower) Loan A/c No : 609533409	Rs. 23,44,872/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Forty Four Thousand Eight Hundred And Seventy Two Only) due as on 30.11.2018	**SCHEDULE 'A':** All that price and parcel of residentially converted land comprised of survey Nos.30(7 acres.24.5 guntas),31 (6 acres 25.5 guntas) ,32(9 acres 02 guntas),33(9 acres 37.25 guntas), 34(6 acres 0.5 guntas) and 161 (2 acres) of Kadathanamale Village,Hesaraghatta Hobli,Bangalore North Taluk,Bangalore in all measuring 41 acres 9.75 guntas (i.e,17,96, 576.51 Square Feet)(which includes the land relinquished to an extent of 10 acres 28.68 guntas(i.e 4,66,843.94 square feet)in favour of Member Secretary,BIAAPA, in compliance with the reqirements of sanction plan and an area of 24,193.40 square feet reserved for locating Electrical Sub-Station or Yard) and the entire property is bounded as follows: East by: Land in Survey No.160,Doddaballapur Road ,Land in Survey Nos.162,163,164,40 and 41,West by :Land in Survey Nos.41, 29,30/7(P), 31/4(P), 31/3(P),31/2(P),31/1(P), 34/2(P),34/1(P); North by:Land in survey Nos.37,38 and 160, South by : Land in survey Nos.41 and 29. **SCHEDULE 'B':** An undivided 0.0188% (Zero Point Zero One Eight Eight percent) share (equivalent to 245.62 Square Feet) in the land measuring 1006611.05 square feet being the land apportioned to the Residential Development forming part of Schedule 'A' Property. **SCHEDULE 'C':** A Two Bedroom Apartment bearing No.004, Panchyati Raj E Khatha No.15020020250 0220194,on the Ground Floor in block/Wing "C4" of the residential apartment complex known as "PROVIDENT WELWORTH CITY" constructed on the schedule "A" property, having a Super Built-Up Area of 845 Square Feet (Which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in all common areas and clubhouse area).	Physical Possession	Rs.22,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Two Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.2,20,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Twenty Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
5	Mr. Girish B K (Borrower) Mrs. K. N. Jyothi (Co-Borrower) Loan A/c No: 622802702 & 623330544	Rs.28,29,107/- in Loan Account No.622802702, and Rs.1,18,284/- in Loan Account No.623330544 totally accruing to Rs.29,47,391 /- (Rupees Twenty Nine Lakhs Forty Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety One Only) due as on 31.01.2019	All that piece and parcel of the Residential Flat bearing No. F102 first floor having a super built up area of 1000 Sq.ft, consisting of two bed rooms in the building known as 'Brindavan' ; including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase etc., together with 244 sq. ft. UDS [undivided share], right, title, and interest in the land measuring 3000 sq. ft on which the building is constructed on land bearing site No.15, Near new Raghavendraswamy Mutt, Laggere village Katha No.131/1, Ex Dasarahalli CMC having its Katha No. 213, presently under BBMP Limits Ward No. 41,Old PID NO.131/1-213-15 situated at Laggere Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore and bounded by: East by : common passage, West by : Private Property, North by : Flat No.101, South by : Open to sky.	Physical Possession	Rs.25,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.2,50,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
6	Mr. S. Adaikala John Britto (Borrower) Loan Account No's: 624787135 and 625633737	Rs.57,83,323/- in Loan Account No.624787135 and Rs.1,44,184/- in Loan Account No.625633737 totally accruing to Rs. 59,27,507/- (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Five Hundred and Seven Only) due as on 31.01.2019	**SCHEDULE-A:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being vacant land, measuring an extent of 23 guntas comprised in Sy.No.11/2,Katha No. 5131/11-3, Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli ,Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded on: North by : Survey No.11/2, South by : VMAKS apartment, East by : Road, West by : Ananth Nagar Layout. **SCHEDULE-B:** 554 Sq.ft. of undivided share, title and interest forming part of the Schedule –A mentioned property. **SCHEDULE-C:** An apartment measuring a super built –up area of 1700 sq.ft., bearing 3 BHK Flat No.J-401 located in the Fourth Floor of J- Block as per E- Katha Extract No.150200103101121090 of the apartment called Prakruthi Solitaire developed on the Schedule –A mentioned property, together with 1 covered car parking space in the basement and bounded on the : East : Lobby, West : Open Space, North : Open Space, South : J 404.	Physical Possession	Rs.55,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.5,50,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
7	Mr. Guru Prasad Subba Rao (Borrower) Mrs. Subha Priya Guru Prasad (Co-Borrower) Loan A/c No: 607711530	Rs. 31,51,434/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Fifty One Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Four Only) due as on 31.10.2019	All that piece and parcel of residential apartment bearing No.116, on the First Floor of the multi –storied residential apartment building having super built area of 970 sq. ft., and UDS (undivided share, right, title and interest) of 288 sq. ft. with one covered car parking in the basement floor situated in building known as 'VAASTU HILL VIEW-II' in (Vaastu Hill View- Phase-I, Block- B'), situated on Survey Numbers 290/1, bearing new municipal number no. 396/275/1, new PID No. 160-W0178-2, situated at Halagevadarahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently within the jurisdiction of BBPM, Rajarajeshwarinagar Division, Ward No. 160, Halagevadarahalli , Bangalore.	Physical Possession	Rs. 36,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.3,60,000/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Sixty Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
8	Mr. Vivek Gandhi (Borrower) Loan Account No.:616001058	Rs.26,69,313/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Three Hundred And Thirteen Only) as on 31.07.2019	All that piece and parcel of aTwo Bedroom Apartmentbearing Flat No. 0-B, in Ground Floor, A – Block of the building Known as "VAHE IMPERIAL GARDENS" having a super built up area of 1205 Square Feet and Proportionate undivided share, right, title , interest of 395 Sq.Feetwith one covered car parking space in Lower Basement , situated at and Converted old Sy.No.240, New Sy No. 240/2, measuring 1850 Sqare Feet, totally measuring 1 Acre 23.98 Guntas or 69,639 Square Feet, having amalgamate BBMP Khata no. 749-743/142/1, situated at Gunjur Village, VarthurHobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and presently falls in the limits of Bruhath Bangalore MahanagaraPalike, Bangalore.	Physical Possession	Rs.40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.4,00,000/- (Rupees Four Lakhs Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
9	Mr. Ramesh Kumar Raju G (Borrower) Loan A/c No: 625345299 & 628135816	Rs.50,10,964/- in Loan Account No.625345299 and Rs.1,61,116/- in Loan Account No.628135816 totally accruing to Rs.51,72,080/- (Rupees Fifty One Lakhs Seventy Two Thousand Eighty Only) due as on 31.07.2019	All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No.490 & 491, Assessment No.44/1 situated at Andrahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Presently under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.40,measuring East to West : 60 Feet and North to South : 40 Feet in all measuring 2400 Sq.ft., and constructions thereon, bounded as follows : East by :Site No.489, West by : Site No.492, North by : Site No.466 & 467, South by : Road.'	Physical Possession	Rs.48,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Eight Lakhs Only) ..... Rs.4,80,000/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eighty Thousand Only)	27.01.2021 12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM
10	Mr. Vineeth C Vakil (Borrower) Mrs. Kshama Rajpurohit. (Co-Borrower) Loan A/c No: 619124886, 621777836 and 619550859	Rs.41,98,694/- in Loan Account No.619124886, Rs.4,20,483/- in Loan Account No.621777836 and Rs.1,25,865/- in Loan Account No.619550859 totally accruing to Rs.47,45,042/- (Rupees Forty Seven Lakhs Forty Five Thousand Forty Two Only) due as on 30.09.2018	Residential Flat Bearing No. 103 in the First Floor, measuring 1100 sq.ft. super built up area , containing 2 bedrooms with One Covered Car Parking space , UDS of 468 sq.ft. undivided right title interest in the land of the building along with proportionate share of common areas such as passages, lobbies, lift and stair case contained in the multi storied building constructed on the land bearing Sy No. 23/10, BBMP New Khata No. 1182/Sy. No. 23/10, measuring 18 Guntas And 3 Guntas Kharab , converted from agricultural to non agricultural residential use vide official memorandum, dated 13.08.2013 , bearing No. ALN.(EVH)SR/28/13-14, issued by deputy commissioner, Bangalore district , situated at of Doddakanalli Village, Varathur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk , with all rights , appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and property known as 'SUNNY BURBERRY'.	Physical Possession	Rs.50,58,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Only) ..... Rs.5,05,800/- (Rupees Five Lakh Five Thousand Eight Hundred Only)	27.01.2021 12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM
11	Mr. Rayan Ali Khan (Borrower) Loan A/c No: 626741889 And 630681237	Rs.39,09,902/- in Loan Account No.626741889 and Rs.2,12,365/- in Loan Account No. 630681237 totally accruing to Rs.41,22,267/- (Rupees Forty One Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Seven Only) as on 30.11.2018	All the piece and parcel of Apartment bearing Flat No. S-1, in Second Floor, having 1308 sq. ft super built up area & UDS (undivided share of land) of 437.56 sq.ft., containing two bedrooms, together with ONE Car Parking Space, including proportionate share in all common areas contained in the multi-storied building known as PUJITHA ORCHID which is constructed on the property bearing No. Sy. No. 107, 107/2, 107/3, 107/4 situated at Kithagunnuru Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South, Bangalore.	Physical Possession	Rs. 42,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Two Lakh Only) ..... Rs.4,20,000/- (Rupees Four Lakh Twenty Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
12	Mr. Vikram S (Borrower) Loan A/c No: 631949108	Rs.63,54,283/- (Rupees Sixty Three Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty Three Only) due as on 30.06.2019	All that piece and parcel of residential three bedroom apartment bearing FLAT No.2006, on the 1st floor in the building known as 'ROSHAN GARDENIA APARTMENT' having super built area 1520 sq.ft. and UDS of 334 sq.ft. With one car parking , which is situated on Survey Numbers 95/2 & 95/3, Katha No 1373, Uttarahalli Village, and Hobli Bangalore South Taluk.	Physical Possession	Rs.72,00,000l- (Rupees Seventy Two Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.7,20,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs Twenty Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
13	Mr. Kumar Manish (Borrower) Mrs. Kumari Aarti (Co-Borrower) Loan Alc No: 622485819	Rs.51,25,196/- (Rupees Fifty One Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand One Hundred and Ninety Six Only) due as on 31.05.2019	**SCHEDULE-A:** All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land vide the Special Deputy Commissioner's Official Memorandum dated 23.01.2009 bearing No.ALN SR (S U)15/2007-08 from agricultural to non agricultural residential use comprised in Survey No.28/1, BBMP Khata No.4607 situated at Kothnur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring 1,28,502 Sq.ft.(or 2 Acres 38 Guntas) and bounded on the : East: BDA Road and Land bearing Survey No.28/3. West: BDA Road formed in Survey No.27 and Land bearing Survey No.29. North : Land bearingSurvey No.29, South: bearing Survey No.28/2. **SCHEDULE-B:** 524/128502 sq. ft. of undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule-Aproperty. **SCHEDULE-C:** Apartment No.1H401,(2BHK) in the building "ARYAHAMSA" on the Third Floor, Block No.1 to be constructed on the Schedule 'A' property proportionate to the schedule B property having a super built up area (i.e. plinth area + Proportionate share of common area) of 1255 sq.ft.along with One Covered car park No.1H401 in the Basement/stilt.	Physical Possession	Rs.59,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.5,90,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs Ninety Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
14	Mr. Vishwanath H R (Borrower) Loan A/c No: 619950289 & 620574245	Loan Account No.619950289 Rs.12,11,919/- Loan Account No. 620574245 Rs.20,05,036/- Totally accruing to Rs.32,16,955/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Sixteen Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Five Only)due as on 31.03.2019	All that piece and parcel of Northern Portion of Site No.1, in Khata No.38/3, Property No.16/2 of situated at Nagadevanahalli Village,Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Now this property comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Kengeri Sub-Division, Mesuring East to West:40-0 Feet and North to South : 15 Feet, totally Measuring 600 Sq.ft and with constructions there on and bounded with; East By : Property Belongs to Sri M.H.Govindegowda, West By : Road, North By : Private Property, South By : Southern Portion of same site No.1	Physical Possession	Rs.32,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.3,20,000/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Twenty Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
15	Mr. A M Chittiappa (Borrower) Loan A/c No: 635886654 & 637734931	Loan Account No.635886654 Rs.28,79,876/- And Loan Account No.637734931 Rs.5,17,146/- Totally accruing to Rs.33,97,022/- (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Twenty Two Only) due as on 31.01.2020	All that piece and parcel of residential flat bearing No.249, in the Block No.'B' First Floor, of the apartment building known as "DHIRAAN NEWYORK MEADOWS", having a super built up area of 900 Sq. feet with one car parking space in the basement with proportionate share of 285 sq. feet of undivided share, right title and interest in the land bearing Sy No.29/2 [vide conversion order bearing official memorandum No.BDS.ALN.(A): SR:424/2004-05 dated 11.02.2005 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore], situated at Iggaluru Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District.	Physical Possession	Rs.32,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.3,20,000/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Twenty Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
16	Mr. Devashish Chaubey (Borrower) Loan A/c No: 618589138	Rs.8,34,41,705/- (Rupees Eight Crores Thirty Four Lakhs Forty One Thousand Seven Hundred and Five Only) due as on 30.06.2020	**SCHEDULE 'A' :** All that piece and parcel of lands measuring (1) 05 Acres 20 Guntas in Sy.No.250, (2) 04 Acres 03 Guntas in Sy.No.251, (3) 04 Acres 02 Guntas in Sy.No.252, (4) 00 Acres 06 Guntas in Sy.No.264/4, (5) 00 Acres 05 Guntas in Sy.No.264/5, (6) 00 Acres 02 Guntas in Sy.No.264/6, (7) 00 Acres 03 Guntas in Sy.No.264/7, (8) 00 Acres Guntas in Sy.No.264/8, and (9) 00 Acres 03 Guntas in Sy.No.264/9, in all measuring 14 Acres 06 Gunata (less 16,123.19 Sq.Mts. surrendered to Hosakote Town Planning Authority and less 2,402.80 Sq. Mts.,area reserved for Club House) situated at Samathenahalli Village , Anugondanahalli Hobli,Hoskote Taluk, duly converted for non–agricultural purpose vide Order bearing (1) No.ALN.SR.(H).11/1994-95 dated 06/11/1994 issued by the Sub–Divisional Officer, Doddaballapur Sub-Division and (2) No.ALN.SR.(HO).08/2012-13 dated 03/09/2012 by the Principal Deputy Commmissioner, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore and presently bearing Panchayath Katha No (i) 375/433/144 (ii) 377/435/145 , (iii) 376/434/144 and (iv) 324/264/4/5/6/7/8/9/927/326, in the records maintained by Samathenahalli Grama Panchayath,Hoskote Taluk and bounded by: **East :** Land in Sy.No.263 and Property belonging to M/s Shiva Steels and Property of Sri.Ramaswamy Iyengar and Sri.Venkataramappa. **West** : Koraluru Village Boundary and Land in Sy.No.206, **North :** Road, **South :** Property of Sri.Kurubara Chikkanna. **SCHEDULE 'B':** All that 14,712 Sq.Ft. of undivided share in schedule 'A' Property which includes Villa Plot area of 9,745 Sq. Ft. bearing No.24, measuring on the Eastern side 134.10 feet on the Western side 101.35 feet on the Northern side 159.90 feet and on the Southern side 39.70 feet and bounded by: **East :** Internal Driveway, **West :** Road, **North :** Property Boundary and Koraluru Village Boundary, **South :** Internal Driveway **SCHEDULE 'C':** All that Residential Villa of Type LUMERIA bearing No.24 consisting of a Lower Ground Floor, Ground Floor, First Floor and Second Floor being built on the Schedule 'B' property admeasuring 8,699 Sq. Ft. along with a garage space for parking of vehicles.	Physical Possession	Rs.7,39,00,000/- (Rupees Seven Crores Thirty Nine Lakhs Only) ---------- Rs.73,90,000/- (Seventy Three Lakhs Ninety Thousand Only	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
17	Mr. Sailesh Chaki (Borrower) Mrs. Nilima Kindo (Co-Borrower) Loan A/c No: 605116701	Rs.7,78,067/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs Seventy Eight Thousand and Sixty Seven only) as on 31.12.2018	**SCHEDULE "A" :** All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted lands totally measuring about 11 Acres and 18 Guntas including the Kharab Land in Survey Nos.39/1, 39/2, 40/3 and 42/1 all situated at M.Medehalli, Attibele Hobli,Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore and bounded on the: North By : Mayasandra Gadi, South By : Lands in Survey No.41, East By : Lands on Survey No.43, West By: Road. **SCHEDULE "B" :**The undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule "A" Property mentioned above works out to 195 Square Feet. SCHEDULE "C": Residential Apartment bearing Tower No-1,Flat No- B-311,Third Floor in Janaadhar Shubha in the Residential Apartment Complex known as "JANAADHAR SHUBHA" constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property, having a super built up area of 400 Square Feet and the proportionate share in the common areas, such as ,passage/s, stair/s, duct/s,well and/or room/s,water, drainage and/or electrical conduit/s and/or other area/s used in common with the Purchaser/s of other Apartment/s.	Physical Possession	Rs.6,90,000/- (Rupees Six Lakh Ninety Thousand Only) ---------- Rs.69,000/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Thousand Only)	Date: 27.01.2021 12 PM TO 12.30 PM
18	Mr. Chandramouli (Borrower) and Mrs. Bhavani (Co-Borrower) Loan A/c No: 604679499	Rs.6,65,408/- (Rupees Six Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Four Hundred and Eight Only) as on 31.05.2019	All that piece and parcel of the One Bed Room Residential Apartment bearing No. A-203 , Khatha No.584, Assessment No.T-9-A-203, on the Second Floor of Tower -9, Consisting Of One Hall, One Bed Room, Kitchen, Bathroom, and Balcony having super built up area of 418 sq.ft and UDS of (undivided share , right, title) of 195 sq. ft. along with covered car parking space bearing No.11 in Tower 9, in the residential apartment complex known as "JANAADHAR SHUBHA" which is situated at Survey No. 39/1,39/2,40/3&42/1,M. Medehalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District Bengaluru.	Physical Possession	Rs.8,20,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Twenty Thous and Only) ..... Rs.82,000/- (Rupees Eighty Two Thousand Only)	27.01.2021 12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM
19	Mrs. Sabitha Jayaraj (Borrower) and Mr.B A Lokesh (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. 618310031 & 633057311	Rs.14,11,501/- in Loan Account No.618310031 and Rs.44,889/- in Loan Account No. 633057311 totally accruing to Rs.14,56,390/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakh Fifty Six Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety Only) as on 31.01.2020	All that piece and parcel of Residential Two Bedroom Apartment bearing No. Flat No. A-007, PID No.150200101700620781, Assessment Number.1253/A-007,in the Ground Floor of Tower-12A/Block-3, of the building known as "JANAADHAR SHUBHA", super built up area of 656 sq. feet with a (carpet area of 462.20 Sq. feet excluding balcony area) with one covered car parking No.T12A-CP013 with proportionate share of 317.23 sq. feet of undivided share, right title and interest in the land bearing Sy No.39/1, 39/2, 40/3 and 42/1 all situated at M. Medehalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, Bangalore.	Physical Possession	Rs.17,25,000/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Only) ..... Rs.`1,72,500/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy Two Thousand Five Hundred Only)	27.01.2021 12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM
20	Mrs. Sabitha Jayaraj (Borrower) and Mr.B A Lokesh (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. 618354404 & 630798461	Rs.13,19,216/- in Loan Account No.618354404 and Rs.95,288/- in Loan Account No.630798461 totally accruing to Rs.14,14,504/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakh Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred and Four Only)as on 31.01.2020	All that piece and parcel of residential two bedroom apartment bearing No. Flat No.A008, PID No.150200101700620782, Assessment Number.1254/A-008, in the Ground Floor of Tower-12A/Block-3, of the building known as "JANAADHAR SHUBHA", having super built up area of 656 Sq.Feet and with a carpet area of 462.20 Sq. feet excluding balcony area with Small covered car parking No. T12A-PS006withproportionate share of 317.23 sq. feet of undivided share, right title and interest in the land bearing Sy No.39/1, 39/2, 40/3 and 42/1 all situated at M. Medehalli Village, AttibeleHobli, AnekalTaluk, Bangalore Urban District, Bangalore.	Physical Possession	Rs.17,25,000/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Only) ..... Rs.`1,72,500/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy Two Thousand Five Hundred Only)	27.01.2021 12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM

1. Inspection Date & Time: 02.01.2021 and 09.01.2021 between 11.AM TO 4.PM
2. Minimum bid increment amount: Rs.20,000/-
3. EMD Amount Submission on or before : 25.01.2021 before 5.00 PM.

*together with further interest @ 18% p.a. as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. incurred up to the date of payment and / or realisation thereof.

To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer of HDFC Ltd, there are no encumbrances in respect of the above immovable properties / Secured Assets.

For any assistance related to inspection of the property, or for obtaining the Bid document and for any other queries, please get in touch with Mr.Yogesh.N/ShridharChinni official of HDFC Limited through Tel No.080-41182283, 080-41182126/ 9449080072.

Date: 23.12.2020
Place: Bengaluru

For Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd.
Sd/- Authorized Officer under SARFAESI Act, 2002

The body of a 57-year-old priest, who had gone missing from Kadugodi, was recovered recently. Bengaluru police arrested two people based on the victim's brother's complaint. The victim, Neelakanta Dixit alias Dorai, was a priest in Kashi Vishwanath temple and was helping a realtor with finances.

Priest, nun found guilty in Abhaya murder case

Spl judge to pronounce sentence today; Kottoor insists he is innocent

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ T'Puram

AFTER 28 years, justice finally prevailed in the Sister Abhaya murder case as the CBI Special Court here pronounced Fr Thomas Kottoor and Sr Sephy guilty of murder. Special Judge K Sanil Kumar will pronounce the sentence on Wednesday after hearing the convicts.

Fr Thomas Kottoor

Sr Sephy

The court on Tuesday took less than five minutes to pronounce its verdict. Apart from murder (IPC 302), the two were also found guilty of destroying evidence (IPC 201) while Kottoor had another charge of house-trespassing (IPC 449) proven against him. The convicts were taken for medical examination after which they were shifted to Poojappura Central Prison and Attakkulangara Women's Prison, respectively.

When the verdict was read out, Sephy broke down and had to be consoled by fellow nuns while Kottoor stood straight-faced. Later, Kottoor told the media that he was innocent and added that he was not afraid as god was with him.

Abhaya, a 19-year-old Knanaya Catholic nun and member of the St Joseph's Congregation, was found dead in a well of Pius X Convent in Kottayam on March 27, 1992. The local police and the Crime Branch had termed the death as suicide, but the probe headed by then CBI Kochi unit DySP Nandakumar Nair revealed that Abhaya's was a cold-blooded murder.

The CBI finding was that Abhaya had gone to the kitchen to fetch water and happened to hav seen Fr Kottoor, Fr Jose Poothrikkayil and Sr Sephy in a compromising position. Fearing loss of reputation, Sephy hit Abhaya with an axe and threw her into the well with the help of the two priests.

Hailing the verdict, prosecutor M Navas said justice has been served to Abhaya. " Terming the trial as exhausting, Navas said the defence lawyers tried to give currency to the arguement that Abhaya had mental issues and she committed suicide. "But there was solid evidence to disprove their claim. Had she committed suicide, then her pair of slippers should have been lying near the well," he said.

MY CHILD GOT JUSTICE, SAYS WITNESS

Kottayam: "My child got justice." This was the first response of Raju, alias Adakka Raju, prime witness in the sensational Abhaya murder case. Raju, who was allegedly tortured by policemen to own up to the crime, stood firm during the trial, which played a predominant role in proving that accused Fr Thomas Kottoor and Sr Sefi are found guilty in the case. After hearing the verdict in the case, Raju said, "Abhaya has been served justice and I am extremely happy." As per the prosecution, Raju, who arrived at the Pius 10th Convent Hostel, the night Abhaya was killed, found Fr Kottoor and Sr Sefi in the compound of the woman's hostel. Raju said he had been later taken into custody by the police and asked to admit that he killed Abhaya. At first he had been offered a huge amount of money and was later brutally tortured by the police to own up to the crime. He, however, stood firm on his stance. "I have four daughters and decided to stand firm to get justice for Abhaya, as she was the age of my daughters. Parents who groom their children can't imagine losing them unexpectedly. I considered Abhaya as my daughter and she got justice," he said."

'Yoga apart, why come to India?'

Lord Meghnad Desai spoke virtually at DakLF and discussed politics, why the BJP keeps winning, where things stand with the farmers and his tryst with Marx

Lord Meghnad Desai

Development is not the priority in Modi 2.0 but the cultural aspects have become more prominent, said **Lord Meghnad Desai** while speaking at TNIE's Dakshin Literary Festival 2020. Desai has just published his autobiography *Rebellious Lord: An Autobiography* and was in conversation with senior journalist Kaveree Bamzai and Edex's Chief Reporter Daniel Thimmayya on his life, his lessons and obviously, politics.

Desai said India can be considered a collection of nations much like Europe — and Gujarat has been the most capitalist and successful 'country' in it. "The culture of Gujarat is very economy-oriented. A moneymaker is respected there, which is not the case for the rest of India. Modi was in that culture. RSS wasn't. The notion that BJP is a traders' party is an insult invented by the left. Now Article 370 and CAA is a priority. *Sab ka vikas* is not the priority (anymore). But he is still the only leader in India who can get something done, but he has to get his focus back on the economy. Arun Jaitley isn't there anymore," he added.

The BJP's record win in 2014 has been the topic of many a debate and Desai agrees there was a gap that the BJP filled in. "Indians were hungry not just for economic progress but for politics and their identity. And I think that is where BJP very patiently dug away. Secularism is not a narrative. BJP has the Hindu narrative which, I think, is not good enough because India is not just a Hindu civilisation. Modern India does not really care about this, they want to be technologically advanced," he added.

Talking about the farmers in India, he said, "No one from the RSS to CPM likes private business. They think all businessmen are cheats and all profits come from cheating and the first thing to do is to stop them from prospering."

Why so serious on social media?

AUDIENCES and people are very fickle, they might like one trait of your personality and not the other. But that doesn't mean that you should tweak yourself according to them, says Tahira Kashyap Khurrana, author of the bestseller *The 12 Commandments of Being a Woman*. "I have realised that the problem is with the trolls and not with me. However, even though it does feel wonderful to hear people say nice things about you, you can't take it too seriously as the people who are validating you don't know you," adds *I've Never Been (Un) Happier* author Shaheen Bhatt. The duo, who have approximately 7,00,000 followers on Instagram between them, were in conversation with Daniel Thimmayya, Chief Reporter, Edex at DakLF 2020.

> I think as women, our lives are filled with amazing incidents to share. Women are either shown as tragic characters or as total revolutionaries. We can be funny, crazy and witty too
>
> Tahira Kashyap Khurrana

Speaking about whether social media affects her writing process, Tahira says, "I have made a conscious decision to not let it overpower me. What you need to realise is that everyone on social media is a human being who is bound to have failures. Use social media to spread some awareness but even if someone is just posting good pictures, it must be understood that hours and hours of makeup, preparation and thinking about what content to put up has gone behind it. Just don't take yourself or anyone else too seriously on social media, it is just a platform."

How minority women's words give Volga hope

While Telugu poet P Lalitha Kumari, better known by her pen-name Volga, might feel that the writing of this generation is either too simple or too complex, "and in the guise of complexity, there is sometimes an emptiness", what she remains most enthusiastic about is the writings of Dalit and minority women. "They are straightforward and write without hesitation about their sufferings, protests or dissent. When I hear their voices, I feel a lot of hope," says the Sahitya Akademi Award winner, in conversation with budding poet Kadali Satyanarayana.

ED attaches ₹8.4 crore assets of Ajmera Group

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

The Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has issued a Provisional Attachment Order (PAO) under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 to attach assets worth ₹8.41 crore in the Ajmera Ponzi scheme scam.

"The attached assets are in the form of two immovable properties, which include an agricultural land and a residential plot, and 14 movable properties including 13 bank accounts and one Demat account, which are in the name of the Ajmera Groups, its partners and others," said the ED.

The agency added that the investigation conducted under the PMLA revealed that "Ajmera Groups had illegally collected deposits amounting to ₹256.06 crore by luring gullible investors with a promise of higher rate of interest - of up to 20% per month. Such a high rate of interest was not possible in any prudent way and the accused Ajmera Groups failed to return the amount of ₹29.17 crore to the depositors. The illegally collected amount was deposited in various bank accounts," stated the ED.

Investigations also revealed that these amounts were embezzled and transferred to various unrelated accounts of Ajmera Groups or the depositors. "These amounts were further invested in immovable and movable properties. On identification of these assets worth ₹ 8.41 crore held in in the name of Ajmera Groups, a Provisional Attachment Order has been issued under the PMLA," the Central revenue intelligence and enforcement agency added.

The ED had initiated the investigation under PMLA on the basis of an FIR at Jayanagar police station in 2018 after an investor filed a complaint against the company for not returning his deposits.

K'taka to fulfil backlog of food distribution to school kids by Jan 15

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE State Government on Tuesday informed the Karnataka High Court that the it will complete the distribution of food grains to school children for the months of August, September, and October 2020 by January 15, 2021, to compensate for the mid-day meal not being provided due to the closure of schools owing to the pandemic.

A division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Aravind Kumar accepted the assurance given to that effect by the state government through the affidavit filed by the Principal Secretary S R Uma Shankar, Department of Primary and Secondary Education.

IN THE HC

In the affidavit, Uma Shankar has stated that state shall endeavour to strictly abide by the timelines specified in the corrigencum order issued on December 2020. "I state that since the finalisation and quantification of food items to be distributed was delayed, it is expected that there will be a short delay in the completion of the distribution process for the backing months of August, September, and October 2020, which was originally scheduled to be completed by December 31, 2020", he said.

He also stated that it is now expected that there will be the endeavour of the state to shorten the delay to the maximum extent possible. Therefore, he assured the court that the outer limit for completing the distribution of food items for the three months will be January 15, 2021.

EXPRESS READ

Woman files case against former corporator for abuse, threats

Bengaluru : A woman filed a case against former Chickpet corporator Dhanaraj who allegedly abused and threatened her after she refused to sell pipes at a discounted price. The complainant, Pooja Agarwal, who runs a shop on Lalbagh Road, approached Wilson Garden police on Monday. While an FIR was registered, police are yet to arrest the accused. Pooja told TNIE that Dhanaraj, who came alone to her shop on Monday used filthy language and threatened to bring hundreds of women to protest in front of the shop, and also have it shut since the Agarwals were from outside the state. Police said that based on the complaint, they have issued notice to Dhanaraj to appear before them. "We are gathering eyewitness statements and CCTV camera footage," an officer said.

HC fiat on land reforms ordinance

ENS @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court on Tuesday said that further steps taken in pursuance of the Karnataka Land Reforms (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020, will be subject to further orders on a batch of public interest petitions.

A division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty directed the government to notify the parties concerned that such transactions are subject to further orders of the Court. The bench passed the orders after hearing petitions filed by Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha, Hasiru Sene, All India Kisan Sabha and Bharatiya Kisan Sangha.

On the Kisan Sabha's plea to stay the ordinance, the bench said that the ordinance has the same force as the law enacted by the legislature and it cannot be stayed without hearing state as per apex court's judgments. The court also cannot direct the governor not to take further action on the basis of a Bill passed by both the Houses of the Legislature, the bench added.

RISE IN NUMBER

Who's counting the leopard population outside sanctuaries?

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE recently released report by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEFCC) shows a rise in leopard population in the tiger range landscape. But conservationists, experts and even Forest Department officials are now raising questions about the areas outside forest boundaries where leopard population thrives.

Leopard estimates

Western Ghats – 3,387	(3,245-3,529)
Shivalik Hills and Gangetic Plains – 1,253	(1,158-1,348)
Central India and Eastern Ghats – 8,071	(7,654-8,488)
North east hills and Bramhaputa Flood Plains – 141	(115-170)

*as per MoEFCC report

"Data for the estimates were collected while conducting the tiger census in 2018 using camera trap method. However, in many places of Karnataka, and even in other states, leopards are found in non-forest areas also. Places where there are no tigers have not been included in the census report. So the population is much higher than what is projected and it is a matter of worry and has to be addressed," a senior Forest Department official told *The New Indian Express*.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (wildlife) Ajai Mishra said leopards are found in places like hillocks in Ramanagara, Kolar, Tumkuru and even dry grasslands in Kalaburgi and Koppal. The 2014 and 2018 reports are being compared and a special mitigation plan will also be prepared to handle the situation better, he said.

Experts pointed out that instead of focusing on numbers, the government should now focus on involving all stakeholders — like police, citizens, Forest and Revenue departments — on undertaking projects in such a way that there is development, but with minimal disturbance.

"The presence of leopards in close proximity to human habitation too is known. So the government should instead work on how to mitigate man-animal conflict. The government should now change its focus and address the concerns related to animals and people. They should understand why conflict cases are rising and focus on linear management issues," noted leopard expert Vidya Athreya said.

GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
LOWER CAUVERY BASIN CIRCLE, THANJAVUR.
IInd TENDER DATE EXTENSION NOTICE

The last date for the receipt of Tenders for the works as called for by Superintending Engineer, WRD., Lower Cauvery Basin circle, Thanjavur in NIT.No.7/2020-2021/LCBC/TNJ/DATED.17.11.2020 are extended for Package No.1 from 30.12.2020 to 05.01.2021, Package No. 3 from 30.12.2020 to 06.01.2021, Package No.4 from 31.12.2020 to 07.01.2021, Package No. 8 from 29.12.2020 to 08.01.2021 and Package No. 2 from 31.12.2020 to 12.01.2021.
Addenda, corrigenda, Extensions, if any will be notified on the www.tenders.tn.gov.in. website only. Bidders are requested to visit our website regularly for any amendment of the present bid till finalization of bidding process.

DIPR/4830/TENDER/2020 **Superintending Engineer, WRD., Lower Cauvery Basin Circle, Thanjavur.**

TAMILNADU POLICE HOUSING CORPORATION LTD
(A Government of Tamil Nadu Undertaking)
NORTH CIRCLE,
No.1&7, Inspector's Quarters, PGR Line, Behind CPO Building, Annadhanapatty, Linemedu, Salem - 636 006.
email id: senctnphcl@gmail.com, Phone: 0427-2903010

Short Term e- Tender Invitation for Bids No: 27/2020-2021 Dated: 22.12.2020

Name of Work	Approximate value of work in Lakhs
1. Construction of **32 Nos. of PC/HC Quarters** at **Kumarapalayam** in **Namakkal** District. (SE/NC/DB/1731/2020)	₹336.39 + GST 12%

1) For Tender document, visit www.tntenders.gov.in
2) Date and Time for downloading and submission of the tender documents: **29.12.2020** from **12.00 Noon** to **09.01.2021** upto **6.00 P.M.**
3) Date and time of opening of the e-tender : **11.01.2021** at **11.15 A.M.**
4) Detailed Tender Notice available in the website www.tnphc.com & www.tnpolice.gov.in

DIPR/4876/TENDER/2020 **Superintending Engineer, North Circle, TNPHC Ltd.**

GREATER CHENNAI CORPORATION
Mechanical Engineering Department

M.E.D.C.No.M1/1773A/2020

Short Re E- Tender Notice

Short Re E-Tender is invited for the following work by Superintending Engineer (Mech), (Head Quarters) as per tender condition

Ref No.	Name of Work	Tender Value	EMD
M1/1773A/2020	Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 11 Nos. of Fully Automatic Horizontal Baling Machine with conveyor attachment	Rs.546 Lakhs	Rs.5,46,000/-
	Last date and time for submission of Tender: **07.01.2021, 3.00 p.m.** Tender Opening date and time: **08.01.2021, 3.15 p.m.**		

Tender details can be downloaded from: http://tntenders.gov.in

DIPR/4873/Tender/2020 **Superintending Engineer (Mechanical)**

STATE INDUSTRIES PROMOTION CORPORATION OF TAMILNADU LIMITED
19-A, RUKMANI LAKSHMIPATHY ROAD, EGMORE, CHENNAI - 600 008.
CIN U74999TN1971SGC005967

Tender Notice NIT.No.102/CW/DO/T.No.106/2020-21 **Dt.:21.12.2020**

For and on behalf of State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited, sealed tenders are invited under **"Two Cover System"** for the following work from Class-I State level Civil/ Electrical Contractors registered of State/Central Government Departments or Government of TamilNadu Undertakings having experience in similar nature of works. Tenders will be received upto 3.00 PM on **8.01.2021** and the same will be opened on the same day at 3.30 PM.

Sl. No	Name of Work	Approx. value of work	EMD
1.	Construction of RCC Precast Compound Wall, Laying of Paver Block Roads and PCC Side Drains, Supply and Erection of Steel Trusses for Sheds (3 Nos.) and providing Street Light System for the Solid Waste Disposal Centre at SIPCOT Industrial Complex, Ranipet and Bargur.	Rs.442.13 lakhs (Including 12% GST)	Rs.2,31,100/-
EMD in the form of DD in favour of SIPCOT Ltd., payable at Chennai. (in the name of tenderer / firm only)			
The tender Schedule can be Downloaded at free of cost from the website: www.tenders.tn.gov.in			

DIPR/4874/TENDER/2020 **SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, SIPCOT, CHENNAI-8**

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Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Amount Put to Tender (Rs. in lakh)	EMD (in Rs.)
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EDITORIAL

Civilisation is that mode of conduct which points out to man the path of duty. ... To observe morality is to attain mastery over our mind and our passions

Mahatma Gandhi

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— Ramnath Goenka

MANAGING THE HUGE INFLOW OF FOREIGN FUNDS

Global 'hot' money seems to be making its way into the Indian securities market, posing both an inflation and asset bubble creation risk, besides forcing the RBI to buy dollars frantically to keep the Indian rupee from sudden appreciation. Last month, India saw foreign funds pumping in an unprecedented $8.1 billion into its bourses, the highest in a single month since the aftermath of the Wall Street crash. This huge inflow pushed the Sensex up by more than 10% in November. It seems some of the $11 trillion given out as stimulus by G20 countries to beat the Covid-induced economic blues is slowly making its way to markets like India after swirling through global financial channels.

Without the RBI buying dollars through the State Bank of India, the Indian rupee may well have appreciated far more than it has. From ₹77.33 on March 24 when India went into lockdown to combat the pandemic, the rupee has appreciated to about ₹73.85. This has happened as India's forex reserves have swelled by an unprecedented $101 billion since March. However, aggressively buying dollars releases more rupees into the Indian marketplace, pushing up an already heightened inflation rate. The other problem with this is that there is a limit to the amount of dollars the RBI can buy in the face of a deluge. At the same time, the problem with such surges of short-term forex inflows is that they can as easily move away as they came in, puncturing the asset bubbles they helped create, causing sudden deflation and worse, sudden depreciation of the local currency.

There are no easy fixes to this problem. The government and market regulators can take steps to temporarily limit holdings by individual funds, but such moves are sure to be resisted by markets as draconian. The RBI can and will certainly continue with its open market operations—selling treasury bills—to reduce liquidity in the market with the aim of keeping a lid on inflation. However, such measures too have their limitations. It seems asset bubbles and currency appreciation will still remain a risk in the year to come.

LESSONS FROM IIT-M COVID CLUSTER

Tamil Nadu has the fourth highest Covid-19 caseload in the country, after Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra, and the third highest death toll. Yet, in the past two months, the number of fresh cases reported in the state have been on the decline. On Tuesday, for instance, the test positivity for the day was just 1.6%. An aggressive testing strategy that relied exclusively on the gold standard of RT-PCR tests and daily fever camps in all cities can be credited for bringing the virus somewhat under control.

Yet, how easily such gains in a battle against a wily virus can be lost was seen from the emergence of a cluster of nearly 200 cases at the premier IIT-Madras campus last week. While the state health department and city corporation swiftly stepped in and started testing all personnel on campus and in other colleges as well, a closer look at the cluster revealed that key messages were yet to be imbibed by many. A crowded indoor mess frequented by the students is believed to be the cause for the spread. For months now, experts have pointed out that poorly ventilated indoor spaces are where the virus is likely to spread most easily. Further, a canteen increases the risk as people may need to remove their masks. Students have blamed the IIT management for lowering its guard after the initial months of the pandemic. However, the same can be said of the state and the general public. While the government has invested heavily in proactive testing and its hospitals save lives on a daily basis, contact tracing and quarantining of potential patients have slowed down. Meanwhile, the state has continued to open up more spaces for public use, including colleges and public transport. Unfortunately this has not been accompanied by sufficient behaviour modification by the public, which may see the opening as a sign of less risk.

With news of a newer strain of the virus spreading in the UK, it is imperative that the state refocuses on the basics—test, trace, isolate—while more aggressively educating the public on how the virus spreads and how to stay safe. With vaccines arriving soon, an end to the pandemic might be in sight. But with an eye on the horizon, governments and people must not lose sight of the dangers present today.

Most NRIs are not affected by the outcomes of elections in India. Hence, granting them special facilities for voting through a complicated procedure does not appear to be vital

OVERSEAS INDIANS: POSTAL VOTING AND A FEW QUESTIONS

JAWHAR SIRCAR

Retired civil servant. Former Culture Secretary and ex-CEO, Prasar Bharati

AMIT BANDRE

When the suave Arun Jaitley introduced his electoral bonds scheme in 2017, few could understand then that it was a very smart sleight of hand operation that legitimised funding of political parties even by suspiciously anonymous donors. By April 2019, the ruling party had bagged 95% of these very opaque funds, but we may never know what quid pro quos were given to the benefactors. Another such quick-fingers manoeuvre is clearly decipherable in the Election Commission's sudden revelation that if the Central government so desired, the facility of casting a 'postal ballot', which is presently reserved only for those who are on election or defence duty within India, can be extended to NRI (non-resident Indian) voters. The timing is interesting—just when three non-BJP ruled states go to the polls in the next few months. Avay Shukla has recently explained, quite convincingly, in his popular blog, why the government should first consider the plight of 35% of voters who reside in India but cannot cast their votes by post because this facility is not available to 'migrants' working outside their local polling areas. He has also argued that, in addition to these 30-32 crore migrants, two other groups in India surely deserve consideration for voting by post. These are 'people with disabilities' who number some 2.3 crore and the 1.4 crore oldest senior citizens, above the age of 80.

The Election Commission has admitted that it has no country-wise data of NRIs eligible to vote, but current estimates hover between 60 and 90 lakh. The EC has proposed that, to begin with, the new NRI postal ballot system may be implemented for those in the US, Canada, New Zealand, Japan, Australia, Germany, France and South Africa. It is not clear why NRIs in the UK are kept out. The fact that all the Gulf countries are also excluded because the regimes are non-democratic does not go well with Kerala. Even elsewhere, the present Election Commission's proposals are viewed with wariness ever since its very controversial conduct of the parliamentary polls in 2019. The priority that the Commission accorded to the US further complicates the issue since it is a demonstrated fact that a large section of NRIs there, from certain parts of India, are enthusiastic supporters and financiers of the Hindu Right.

As the question of NRIs and their voting rights have come into public focus, let us also be fair enough to gratefully acknowledge their remittances to India. Of the world's total migrant population of 27 crore, Indians account for 1.75 crore. In 2018, the World Bank estimated that Indian expatriates remitted $79 billion—the highest in the world—followed by Chinese at $67 billion and Mexicans with $36 billion. These remittances constituted more than one-fifth of the country's precious foreign exchange and 2.9% of India's GDP. But frankly, most NRIs hardly know enough about India's micro-level domestic elections and are really not affected by the outcomes of voting. In any case, NRIs in Western and developed countries would surely be more interested in settling there rather than returning, though a section would never give up its Indian citizenship. Hence, granting them special facilities for voting through a complicated procedure does not appear to be really that vital. Besides, vote or no vote, remittances are hardly impacted—60% go to their families and they invest 30% in banks, shares and property.

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It is heartening to learn that families back home still matter a lot to many settled abroad, as their parents must have toiled all their lives to ensure their success in life overseas. This brings us to a delicate issue that concerns a section of Indians who studied in India and then merged into the Western world, to enrich foreign corporations and themselves. In this nation of 'first boys', most availed of the best education that India could offer at vastly subsidised costs. Though fees appear to have skyrocketed in recent years, the budget of the Ministry of Education reveals that it still subsidises elite institutions like the IITs, IIMs and NITs so heavily that precious little is left for countless other less privileged universities and colleges and millions of their students. It is, therefore, not very unreasonable to hope that the meritorious recipients of such education, who are now an integral part of the West's technological hegemony, do something beyond assisting their rich masters strengthen their asphyxiating grip over hapless citizens all over the planet.

These strong words are meant for those who are worshipped in India as exemplars of meritocratic success abroad. When nations and crusaders struggle so hard to inject some degree of social responsibility into brazenly profit-racking domineering technology companies like Facebook, Google, Amazon, Apple and Microsoft, we get into raptures when someone of Indian origin holds an important post in them. When an 'Indian' who headed PepsiCo was wildly celebrated, few recalled that she was also responsible for dream-selling a dangerously unhealthy product and squeezing profits unethically from the young. One can cite many other 'Indians' who lead strangling Western behemoths in investment banking, computer hardware, consumer goods and so on. While families and friends may bask vicariously in their success, the terribly manipulated Indian customer is entitled to ask: "What good are they—to India and her common folk?"

(Tweets @jawharsircar)

OUR COUNTRY'S TRADE POLICY NEEDS A RETHINK

TULSI JAYAKUMAR

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India's decision not to join the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) in November 2020 has been welcomed in most quarters. The move has been seen as one of rejecting a deal that has been perceived as hurting 'India's interests'. It is also seen as one that is in keeping with the recent call for an 'Atmanirbhar Bharat'.

"When I measure the RCEP Agreement with respect to the interests of all Indians, I do not get a positive answer. Therefore, neither the talisman of Gandhiji nor my own conscience permit me to join RCEP," Prime Minister Narendra Modi had said when rejecting the trade deal.

Writing on this decision, the authors of a paper put out by NITI Aayog titled "India's FTAs and Its Costs" state, "Make no mistake, India had no option but to exit the pact. RCEP in its present form would have not served any purpose for the country." The reasons cited by the authors for not joining the RCEP include a general poor experience with Free Trade Agreements (FTAs). These include: exports to FTAs not surpassing those to non-FTA countries or to the rest of the world, greater imports as a result of such agreements than exports, widening of the trade deficit after such trade deals, relative unresponsiveness of India's exports to price as compared to income changes, and very low utilisation rates of FTAs by Indian exporters of between 5-25%. Besides, geopolitical issues including rising border disputes with China have also been used to justify India's staying out of the RCEP deal.

India has pulled out of a deal that allows free trade among the 15 signatories and which promises to be the world's largest free trade agreement. We would do well to ask ourselves two questions: One, whose interests are we safeguarding and why? Two, where does India go from here in terms of its trade policy?

Citing the upholding of the interests of 'all' Indians as an argument against FTAs is misleading. Barriers to free trade have a skewed impact on various interest groups, benefitting inefficient domestic producers who can continue to produce and sell at high prices, and the government by earning for it tariff revenues. However, such barriers would affect the consumers badly, as they would have diminished access to cheaper and better products and also would have to pay higher prices for these imports. This is particularly important when India simply does not have the ability to produce a range of products. Thus, for instance, it was found that after the increase in customs duties on a range of products in September 2018, as many as eight out of 13 product segments witnessed a rise in imports between October 2018 and the lockdown. A rise in import duties together with an increase in imports would have disastrous consequences for both India's trade deficit and inflation.

> Currently, not only has protectionism been increasing, as witnessed in the steep rise in import duties since 2014, India also has a complex and opaque system of customs tariffs and fees. ... The government should work at a more realistic tariff policy, even as it seeks greener pastures after rejecting free trade agreements such as the RCEP

In fact, it is imports of cheap rice bran oil from countries such as Bangladesh under the South Asian Free Trade Agreement (SAFTA) that have helped tackle the volatility in edible oil prices, benefitting the consumers. However, the rice bran processors in Eastern India, who have been unable to compete, have complained against such imports. The government will need to balance out these competing interests.

Most MSMEs are not aware of the duty benefits under the various FTAs, resulting in poor utilisation of such agreements. In fact, in September 2019, the government set up a 'FTA Utilisation Mission' to enhance awareness of preferential duty benefits among MSMEs. Such poor utilisation rates may in fact be responsible for the trend witnessed of higher imports as compared to exports under the FTAs.

As the world moves towards a new order after the pandemic, India can ill-afford to overlook the new global supply chains that are being built. The withdrawal from the RCEP has been estimated to result in a loss of 1.2% of the nation's projected GDP in 2030. It is clear that China, without the counter-balancing impact of an India in the largest trading bloc, is likely to get even stronger. This is expected to happen even as the trading bloc itself becomes more attractive to various sectors, as common rules of origin and access to a large market take precedence in determining trade destinations.

Even as India has rejected the RCEP and argues against FTAs, paradoxically, it seeks to sign free trade deals with its top exporting destination countries—the EU, UK and the US—as part of its evolving trade policy. However, trade policy will need to be shaped by greater certainty for exporters from our partner trading nations. Currently, not only has protectionism been increasing, as witnessed in the steep rise in import duties since 2014, India also has a complex and opaque system of customs tariffs and fees. The rising trade-weighted average tariff rates, together with the huge disparities between the maximum permissible (World Trade Organization, WTO) bound rates and the actual applied (Most Favoured nation, MFN) tariff rates create uncertainty and discomfort for exporters, since India possesses considerable flexibility to change tariff rates at any time.

India should work at a more realistic tariff policy, even as it seeks greener pastures after rejecting free trade agreements.

(Views are personal)

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India takes right step, but...

The new strain in the UK is a bit alarming and the government there seems to have taken serious note of it and enforced curbs. India also took the right step to impose restrictions on flights from the UK. But is it right for India to have called the UK PM as chief guest for the Republic Day? Considering the pandemic, do we at all need to celebrate Republic Day with the usual pomp instead of restricting it to paying homage to martyrs?

N Nagarajan, Secunderabad

Making the same mistakes

This is with reference to *138 flyers from UK slip into K'taka without test* (Dec 22). This is disturbing and points to irresponsibility on the part of the airport authorities. The government and authorities ought to have been extra cautious, especially in the light of past experience.

R Sriramprasad, Bengaluru

Mini clinics laudable

In a welcome move, the Tamil Nadu government has started 2,000 mini clinics with a doctor and nurse in rural areas. It is not only useful to people where no medical facilities are available, but will also help us during the rainy season as poor people need to go to the nearby town to avail medical facilities.

V K S Krishnan, Kumbakonam

Action against NC leader

The ED's move to attach properties including three residential houses worth ₹11.86 crore of NC president and chairman of Gupkar Alliance Farooq Abdullah in the J&K Cricket Association money laundering case is a positive development. The NC and PDP have been crying foul after the abrogation of special status to J&K that only contributed to corruption and loot by these parties.

K R Parvathy, Mysuru

Made in China

I recently went to purchase a mosquito bat made in India at electric stores. A shopkeeper said he only had China-made bats. I went to 10 shops and the answer was the same. One shop owner then told me that they were only made by Chinese companies. Leaders talk a lot about boycotting goods from China but the reality is different.

T Kailash Ditya, Hyderabad

Lack of intent

India's ignominious defeat in Adelaide against Australia after its worst-ever batting performance in a Test innings marks a new low in the annals of our cricketing history. What resulted in the massive rout was the lack of intent among our batsmen to take the game forward, as rightly opined by skipper Virat Kohli.

B Suresh Kumar, Coimbatore

Poor performance overseas

Reams and reams will be written about the pathetic performance by the IPL generation in the first Test. I have been an avid follower of cricket since the 1970s. The performance of our team outside the subcontinent has always been poor except in a few series. Our team mostly faltered even during the days of Gavaskar, Viswanath, Sachin and Dravid. The only silver lining was they did not usually buckle like a pack of cards.

C Vijay Kumar, Bengaluru

Party with a difference?

The article *Metro-Nizam who wants to be national Mughal* (Dec 20) was interesting. The approach of Owaisi Saab's All India Council for Unity of Muslims is different. Anyhow, he will champion the interests of Indian Muslims. The upcoming elections will show how effective he can be.

A Kaja Nazimudeen, Eruvadi

Enlightening article

The article about the AIMIM mentions a lot of facts that are not known to most people. It is an irony that many get swayed easily by pseudo well-wishers. Only a massive, impartial effort to spread awareness can help.

V P Sharma, email

Increase family pension

The housewife spouse who is not receiving any pension of her own and the one who receives pension having been in government/PSB/PSE service get the same 30% of their late husband's pension. Housewife family pensioners should get, if not 100%, at least 60% of their deceased husband's pension. There are cases of housewife family pensioners burdened with handicapped children. In their cases, the family pension should be raised to 100%.

M R Anand, Chennai

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Randeep Singh Surjewala @rssurjewala
PM & his Ministers are endangering India's Food Security ! Farmer Agitation is a Modi Made Impasse ! Why is PM Modi not listening to CM Modi?

Sitaram Yechury @SitaramYechury
Galloping unemployment & growing hunger, exponential growth of miseries is crippling survival. Yet PM refuses cash transfers to all non IT payees...

Abhishek Singhvi @DrAMSinghvi
New ground 4 #divorce, one not seen in sec 13 of #Hindu marriage act & and also not in other personal laws, viz. Divorce for political defection of spouse!

Protesters to approach British MPs to put pressure on Prime Minister Boris Johnson not to attend Republic Day function

Farmer unions to decide on talks with Centre today

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

AFTER the Centre's renewed offer of talks, the farmers unions on Tuesday said the final decision on holding further communication with the government will be taken at their joint meeting on Wednesday.

"A marathon meeting of 32 farmer unions of Punjab was held today (Tuesday) in which the consensus was that the final decision on whether to talk to the government or not and how to counter them will be taken at the meeting of the Sanyukt Morcha that will be held tomorrow afternoon. The meeting will also deliberate on the reply to be sent to the government's letter," said Bharatiya Kisan Union (Rajewal Group) general secretary, Omkar Singh.

In a letter to 40 farmer union leaders on Sunday, the agriculture ministry had asked to specify their 'remaining' concerns and choose a convenient date for the next round of talks so that the ongoing agitation could end at the earliest.

The farmers said the final decision will take into consideration the views of over 400 small farmer groups that are part of the agitation.

The farmer unions also plan to approach the British government requesting that Prime Minister Boris Johnson should not attend the Republic Day parade, for which he has consented to be the chief guest.

"It was decided that MPs in the UK will be contacted with the plea to put pressure on their government that PM Johnson should not attend the January 26 function," Singh said.

Another farmer leader said, "In today's meeting, it was felt that till the government gives any concrete proposal and moves a step forward from its stance, which we have already rejected earlier, we should not hold further discussions as it will be meaningless."

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> Omkar Singh, BKU-Rajewal gen secy

The sixth round of talks on December 9 was cancelled following a deadlock with the farmer unions refusing to budge from their demand for repealing the three central laws.

Meanwhile, the All India Trade Union Congress and its associate unions will observe December 23 as 'Skip Lunch' day to express solidarity with the farmers who are on a relay hunger strike, said its general secretary Amarjeet Kaur.

In Punjab, *arhtiyas* (commission agents) closed the mandis across the state for next four days to protest against the income tax raids on them.

(Top) Volunteers distribute winter wear to farmers at Singhu on Tuesday; tractors block the highway at Delhi-UP border at Ghaziabad | SHEKHAR YADAV & PARVEEN NEGI

An elderly farmer gestures as the ongoing protest at Singhu border nears a month on Tuesday | SHEKHAR YADAV

Willing to hear demands with open mind, says Tomar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AGRICULTURE Minister Narendra Singh Tomar on Tuesday again reached out to the farmer unions, saying the government is ready to hold talks with an open mind.

Tomar said he is hopeful that the unions would soon complete their internal discussions and resume talks to resolve the crisis. On Tuesday, the minister met two more farmer unions from Delhi and Uttar Pradesh who extended support to the three central legislations.

"Representatives of different farmers' outfits came to tell that the laws are good and are in the interest of farmers. They urged the government not make any amendment to the laws," Tomar said.

Regarding the ongoing protests, Tomar said, "I am hopeful they (farmer unions) will soon complete their internal discussions and come forward for talks. We will be able to find a solution successfully."

The agriculture ministry had written to the 40 protesting groups on Sunday, urging them to specify their concerns on the government's proposal and finalise a date for the next round of talks to end the protests.

At least five rounds of formal talks have failed to break the deadlock as the agitating unions have not agreed to anything less than repeal of the laws. UP-based Kisan Sangarsh Samithi and Delhi-based Indian Kisan Union are among those farmer groups that have extended support to the laws in the last three weeks. The previous pro-farm groups that met the minister were from Haryana, Uttarakhand and UP.

Farmer in BJP's ad sitting on stir at Singhu border

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

IN an embarrassment to BJP's Punjab unit, a farmer whose photograph was used the party to promote the farms laws in its advertisements was found protesting at Singhu border.

Harpreet Singh, who has done his Masters in Software Engineering from the Indian Institute of Information Technology at Pune, said that he got a phone call from his friend that BJP has used his photograph on its Facebook page.

The farmer from Nadalon village in Punjab's Hoshiarpur district said he had no idea regrading how the BJP used his picture which was clicked six years ago.

"How can they use my photograph without permission? I am thinking of taking legal action," he said.

The party first tried to malign farmers by linking them with Khalistanis and Maoists and later used the photo in its campaign to show how only a small group of farmers are protesting, he said.

"If the farmers are happy with these laws, then why are they protesting at the Delhi borders?" he said, adding that he is camping at Singhu border since first week of December.

Rahul to lead Cong team to Rashtrapati Bhavan

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi will lead a delegation of his party MPs and leaders to meet President Ram Nath Kovind and hand over 20 million signatures against farm laws. The delegation will urge Kovind to intervene for annulling the three laws. The Congress party has already launched a nationwide campaign for collecting the signatures.

Black flags waved at convoy of Haryana CM

Protesting farmers waved black flags to Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar in Ambala where he went for canvassing of party's mayoral and ward candidates. As his convoy was passing from Aggarsain Chowk in Ambala, the farmers tried to block it. However, the police prevented them and ensured a safe passage for the CM's convoy.

Leader of NDA ally to lead march from Rajasthan

Rashtriya Loktantrik Party chief Hanuman Beniwal will lead a march from Rajasthan to Delhi against the three agriculture laws on December 26. "We will head to Delhi on 26th with 2 lakh farmers and the decision to leave the NDA or not will also be taken then. I have already resigned from all three parliamentary committees," he said.

Air pollution sliced off 1.4% India's GDP last year

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AIR pollution killed 1.7 million Indians accounting for nearly 18 per cent of total deaths in 2019 and resulted in an economic loss of ₹2.6 lakh crore, nearly 1.4% of GDP, according to a new scientific paper published in *the Lancet*.

The economic loss as a percentage of the state GDP was higher in the northern and central Indian states, with the highest in Uttar Pradesh (2.2 %) and Bihar (2%).

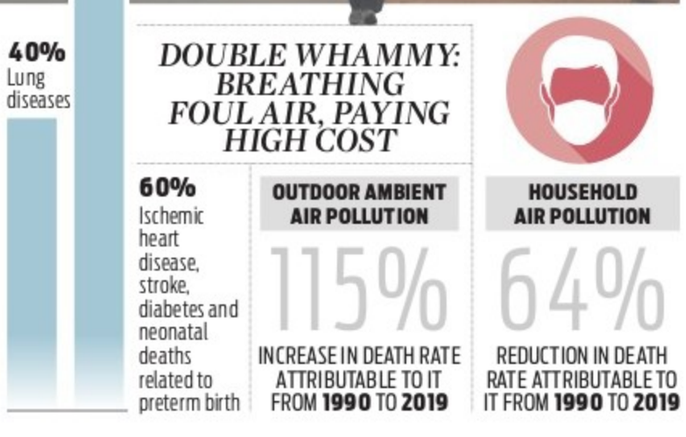
The India State-level Disease Burden Initiative (ISLDBI) also showed that while the mortality from indoor air pollution reduced by 64 per cent between 1990 and 2019, deaths from outdoor ambient air pollution increased by 115 per cent

The ISLDBI was launched in 2015 as a collaborative effort between the ICMR, Public Health Foundation of India, Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation, and a number of other stakeholders under the aegis of the Union health ministry. Over 300 leading scientists and experts representing about 100 institutions across India are engaged with this work.

While 40 per cent of the disease burden due to air pollution is from lung diseases, the remaining 60 per cent is from ischemic heart disease, stroke, diabetes, and neonatal deaths related to preterm birth. "Air pollution and its impact is not a matter for the health sector alone, and the solutions lie in a multi-sectoral approach with a common commitment to reducing exposure to toxic air, which is impacting the health and productivity of Indians," said V K Paul, member (health), Niti Aayog on the release of the paper.

According to the report the annual average population-weighted mean PM2.5 concentration was 91.7 microgram per cubic meter in India in 2019. Across the states, exposure to ambient particulate matter ranged from 15.8 in Kerala, to 217.6 in Delhi— a 13.8 times difference.

It also noted that the total health expenditure in India is 3.8% of GDP, while the economic loss arising of premature deaths and morbidity was 1.36% of GDP, indicating that the total economic impact of air pollution is high. "The loss of output in monetary terms attributable to air pollution at the state level is associated with the number and the age-distribution of deaths and morbidity in each state and state GDP per worker," said the paper.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Lung diseases
DOUBLE WHAMMY: BREATHING FOUL AIR, PAYING HIGH COST
60%
Ischemic heart disease, stroke, diabetes and neonatal deaths related to preterm birth
OUTDOOR AMBIENT AIR POLLUTION
115%
INCREASE IN DEATH RATE ATTRIBUTABLE TO IT FROM 1990 TO 2019
HOUSEHOLD AIR POLLUTION
64%
REDUCTION IN DEATH RATE ATTRIBUTABLE TO IT FROM 1990 TO 2019

VACCINE MAKER SUBMITS DATA FOR EMERGENCY USE

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

ONE of the two Indian vaccine makers — Serum Institute of India and Bharat Biotech — has presented additional data demanded by the apex drug regulator in response to their application for emergency use authorization of Covid vaccine.

Apart from SII and Bharat Biotech, Pfizer has applied for the EUA so far but the US based pharma major has sought more time to make a detailed presentation before the Covid subject expert committee of the Central Drugs Standards Control Organisation.

SII has reserved 50% of whatever quantity its manufacture to low-and middle-income countries.

After evaluating the applications by the other two companies on December 9, the committee had sought more data related to safety and immunogenicity. "One of the two companies has now submitted the data and due process will be followed by the drug regulator in assessing it," said V K Paul, member, health, Niti Aayog who also heads the Covid-19 National Task Force.

> **The new strain of Covid in the UK has increased transmissibility. This mutation is not affecting the severity of the disease. Case fatality is not affected by this mutation**
>
> V K Paul, Niti Aayog member

Amid fears of a new and highly contagious Covid variant originating from the UK, Paul said the current evidence suggest that the mutated virus is not affecting the severity of the disease. "The new strain of COVID-19 in the UK has increased transmissibility. This mutation is not affecting the severity of the disease. Case fatality is not affected by this mutation," said Paul. He added that the new strain of coronavirus seen in the UK "has not been seen in India, so far."

The Niti Aayog member added that there was "there is no cause for concern" and appealed the citizens to not panic over the mutation. "We need to stay vigilant."

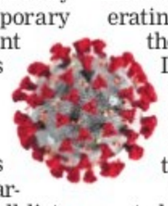
To a question on Covid vaccines and their impact on the new variant, Paul said that "as of now, it has no impact on the potential of the emerging vaccines being developed in our country and are available in other countries."

Union health secretary Rajesh Bhushan, meanwhile, underlined that there has been a sustained decline in Covid cases in India since mid-September.

20 fliers from UK test positive for Covid-19, Nov 25 start date for scan

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

With at least 20 fliers from the UK testing positive for Covid-19 upon their arrival in India on Tuesday, the government tightened its screening protocol a day after announcing a temporary flight ban, as a new variant of the virus in Britain is creating havoc.



To do so, the Centre opened the window for tracking incoming fliers from November 25 by sharing with all states the full list of international arrivals from the UK since that date. The list includes those who transited via Britain as well.

Fliers who arrived between November 25 and December 8 need to be contacted by the district surveillance officers and advised to self-monitor their health. Those with symptoms must be administered the RT-PCR test and if they test positive, their genetic sequencing must be done, the standard operating procedure said. As for those who arrived between December 9 and 23, district surveillance officers have to track them daily till 14 days after their arrival in India.

The new variant is estimated by the European Center for Disease Control to be more transmissible and affecting the younger population, the SOP pointed out. The variant has a set of 17 changes or mutations.

The ban on flights from the UK comes into effect from Wednesday and will continue till December 31. Fliers arriving from the UK on Monday-Tuesday will be mandatorily subjected to RT-PCR tests and those testing positive quarantined institutionally.

Samples collected from positive patients will be subjected to spike gene-based RT-PCR tests in appropriate labs to assess whether they carry the new variant of SARS-CoV-2 identified in the UK. If anyone has the new variant, the patient will remain in a separate isolation unit. All others will follow the normal treatment protocol, the advisory said. Those who contract the new variant, too, will get treatment as per the existing protocol. They will take a repeat test on the 14th day after the initial positive test.

Trump presents PM Modi with 'Legion of Merit'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

US President Donald Trump has conferred the prestigious Legion of Merit to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for bolstering the India-US strategic partnership and promoting global peace and prosperity.

The award is in recognition of the PM's steadfast leadership and vision for India's emergence as a global power, and exemplary contribution made by him for the advancement of the India-US strategic partnership and promoting global peace and prosperity, said the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

The Legion of Merit is conferred upon heads of state or heads of government of other countries. The award was received on behalf of Modi by the Indian Ambassador, Taranjit Singh Sandhu. At a ceremony, The Legion of Merit was also awarded to Australian premier Scott Morrison and former Japan PM Shinzo Abe.

"Prime Minister Narendra Modi's steadfast leadership and vision have accelerated India's emergence as a global power and elevated the strategic partnership between the US and India to address global challenges...," the citation said. India is a key partner for the US in the Indo-Pacific, where the two countries are increasing collaboration to ensure freedom of the seas, open and transparent investment and infrastructure development, it added.

Passengers wearing PPE kits wait at arrival area of Mumbai airport | PTI

90,000 TEACHING JOBS

PATNA: The one-and-a-half-year-long wait for the teaching aspirants drew to a close after the Patna HC ordered the State to complete the recruitment of 90,000 teachers in the State's primary schools

8 KHELO INDIA

STATE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE OPENED ACROSS INDIA BY KIREN RIJIJU ON TUESDAY

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	29	19	Mumbai	31	20
Bhopal	26	8	Panaji	33	22
Jaipur	23	10	Patna	20	8
Amritsar	20	4	Lucknow	21	9
Chennai	28	23	Port Blair	29	25
Kolkata	24	12	Imphal	21	7
Srinagar	10	2	Chandigarh	22	7

MAMATA'S CABINET

Missing ministers set tongues wagging; 1 big ticket defection likely

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Kolkata

FOUR ministers of West Bengal government skipped cabinet meeting convened by chief minister Mamata Banerjee on Tuesday at Nabanna, the State secretariat. Though three of them cited seemingly genuine reasons, absence of Rajib Banerjee, the minister for forest affairs, was said to be politically significant as there are strong speculations that he might quit the Trinamool Congress.

The three others in Mamata's cabinet, who did not turn up to attend the meeting, were Rabindranath Ghosh, the north Bengal development minister, tourism minister Gautam Deb and Chandranath Sinha, the minister for fisheries.

Sources in the TMC said Ghosh was tested positive for Covid-19 recently and presently, he is not taking part in any administrative activities. He said besides his health issue, he decided not to leave his constituency because Mamata's latest initiative 'Duare Sarkar' (government at your door-step) is being carried out there.

''Deb is based in north Bengal and travelling to Kolkata was not safe in the wake of Covid-19 pandemic,'' said a TMC leader. Deb is known as one of the most trusted lieutenant of Mamata.

Sinha from Bolpur said he was busy to oversee the preparedness ahead of the chief minister's Bolpur visit on December 28 and 29. "I am very much with the Trinamool Congress and I will be with the party. There is no question of shifting my political alignment,'' he said. Banerjee, however, could not be contacted for his comment explaining the reason behind his absence in the cabinet meeting. In the recent past, Banerjee expressed his discontent on several occasions on the issue of the functioning of a section of party functionaries.

The other three absentees

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the virtual conference to mark the AMU's centenary celebrations on Tuesday | PTI

PM's nation-first pitch at the mini-India in Aligarh

Becomes the 1st premier since 1954 to attend an event at the AMU

NAMITA BAJPAI @Lucknow

LIKENING the campus of Aligarh Muslim University with a 'mini India', Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Tuesday that the seat of higher education, this power of diversity should never be forgotten nor it should be let to get weakened. "We should work together to ensure that spirit of 'Ek Bharat, Shrestha Bharat' grows stronger day by day on the campus of Aligarh Muslim University," the PM said while addressing virtually the centenary celebration of the university.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, accompanied by Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank, was the first time Prime Minister to have participated in an event of the Aligarh Muslim University since 1954.

Students submit charter of seven demands

Lucknow: While PM Narendra Modi was addressing the students, teachers, and administrative authorities of AMU through a video link on Tuesday, the students were handing over a charter of demands to V-C Prof Tariq Mansoor addressed to the PM. They put forward seven major demands to the Centre

"At this prestigious university, if a student can imbibe her or his education in Urdu, so can they in Hindi. On one side, one can get knowledge about Arabic, on the other, in Sanskrit as well. One on side, you can learn the teachings of the Holy Quran, while on the other, AMU teaches the teachings of the Bhagwad Gita and other scriptures too. This is what India is all about, and this institution functions every day on that principle," he added.

Praising the work done by the university during COVID crisis, the PM said: "Not just in academics, but your contributions in other ways have also been valuable. "During the pandemic, the manner in which you set up facilities for checkups, created isolation wards and plasma bank, the manner in which you all helped those who needed it, as well as contributing significantly to the PM CARES fund, all show your sincere intent towards nation building, " said the PM. He invoked AMU founder Sir Syed Ahmed Khan saying that when you receive education and come into the work sphere, you must work towards all, without any discrimination, without seeing caste or creed or religion.

Celebs among 34 booked for flouting night curfew

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI
@Mumbai

CRICKETER Suresh Raina, Bollywood celebrity Sussanne Khan and rappers Guru Randhawa were among 34 people booked by Mumbai police for violating Covid-19 restrictions by partying late night on Monday.

The Maharashtra government had earlier in the day announced night curfew across all municipal limits in view of the spread of a new Covid strain in the UK. The curfew remains in force from 11 pm to 5 am. The celebrities were caught by the police partying at Dragonfly club at JW Marriott around 3 am on Tuesday.

The FIR also covers the hotel management staff under the Pandemic Act. A case been filed for allegedly keeping the nightclub open beyond the deadline.

However, all those booked were released later. While some were allowed to leave after being served notices, the others were shown as arrested and granted bail later.

Raina's office issued a statement later. "He was in Mumbai for a shoot which extended to late hours and was invited by a friend for a quick dinner before his flight back to Delhi. He was not aware of the local timings and protocols," it read. "Once new rules were brought to his notice, Suresh immediately complied with the procedures laid out by the authorities and regrets the unfortunate and unintentional incident. He always holds rules in the highest regard and will continue to do so."

Randhawa's management team also issued a statement saying, "he had stepped out for dinner with close friends before returning to Delhi... he deeply regrets the incident".

EXPRESS READ

Centre full of comedians: Rajasthan Cong chief

Jaipur: The Rajasthan Congress on Tuesday reacted angrily to Union minister Ramdas Athawale's remark that former deputy chief minister Sachin Pilot would soon bring the Ashok Gehlot government down. State Congress chief Govind Singh Dotasara mocked the minister's remark, saying "all ministers of the Central government are comedians". He said Athawale and his ministerial colleagues often say diametrically opposite things.

Composite floor test in BTC before December 26

Guwahati: The Gauhati High Court on Tuesday ordered a "composite floor test" in Assam's autonomous Bodoland Territorial Council (BTC) on or before December 26. The single-judge bench of Justice Suman Shyam barred the new executive council, formed by the combine of BJP, United People's Party Liberal (UPPL) and Gana Shakti Party (GSP), from taking any major decisions till the matter is resolved. The three parties had forged a post-poll alliance. Earlier, six members were nominated to the BTC which administers four Assam districts such as Kokrajhar, Chirang, Baksa and Udalguri. The court ruled that they cannot take part in the floor test. On the day of composite floor test, which is to be convened by the governor, new BTC chief Pramod Bodo of the UPPL and his predecessor Hagrama Mohilary of the Bodoland People's Front (BPF) or someone projected by the party will have to prove majority during voting. The BTC falls under the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution and the governor is its constitutional head.

DEVELOPMENT AND NATIONALIST TONES

Aijaz says in the coming elections, BJP's seats in Valley will increase manifold and party will emerge as a dominant force here. Aijaz said their win is a message to the PM that people in Kashmir want development

The people in J&K have endorsed the vision of the Prime Minister for an all round development. The outcome of the polls clearly shows that the nationalist forces have won, and the Gupkar alliance has failed, Chugh said

BJP OPENS ACCOUNT IN VALLEY; WINNER CREDITS IT TO MODI

FAYAZ WANI @Srinagar

AFTER winning the first District Development Council (DDC) seat for BJP from Valley, Er Aijaz Hussain said the party is no more an outsider in Kashmir and the lotus would bloom in every village, every mohalla and every home in Valley soon.

34-year old Aijaz is among the three BJP candidates who won the District Development Council polls in militancy-hit Valley, thus helping the party to open its account in Muslim-dominated Kashmir post Article 370 abrogation.

"My win is due to the popularity of Prime Minister Modi and BJP," said Aijaz, who won the DDC election from Khunmoh II constituency in Balhama area of Srinagar. He won by 442 votes. He had secured 823 votes while his nearest rival Ghulam Hassan Hajam of J&K Apni Party had secured 381 votes.

He said the win of BJP candidates is defeat of all those communal elements, who were trying to gain vote bank by falsely threatening people about Hindutva politics. "My win and win of other BJP candidates in Valley will give a new shape to politics in Kashmir".

In the Valley, where dominant sentiment has been against Article 370 revocation, BJP winning three seats indicates that party's acceptance has increased especially post August 5, 2019, when Article 370 was revoked and J&K State split into two Union Territories (UTs).

Asserting that he would work for peace, prosperity and development of Kashmir, Aijaz said, "The propaganda of the Gupkar Alliance has been rejected by people. They should now have a rethink. All other parties also need to rethink on their agenda and manifestos after today's results".

"The win of BJP candidates in Valley clearly indicates that BJP is no more an outsider party in Kashmir. People have now decided to support BJP and lotus will bloom in every village, every mohalla and every home here," said Aijaz, who is National Vice President & Incharge West Bengal BJP Youth Wing (BJYM).

He said in the coming elections BJP's seats in Valley will increase manifold and party will emerge as a dominant force here. Aijaz said their win is a message to the PM that people in Kashmir want development and action against the previous government, who indulged in corruption.

"People here want jobs and employment avenues for youth. Our government is committed to the development and welfare of people," he said.

BJP candidate Aijaz Hussain after winning in the DDC in Kashmir | ZAHOOR PUNJABI

Blunted Article 370 narrative, says BJP

MANISH ANAND @New Delhi

AFTER a spirited campaign in Jammu and Kashmir for the district development council elections, the BJP has said that the Union Territory has moved away from the Article 370 narrative and embraced the aspirational democracy. The BJP has exuded confidence that the party along with independents will be able to take control of about 14 DDC.

"The people in J&K have rejected the forces who for long gave calls of boycott of elections. The high turnout of the voters has affirmed the faith of the people in democracy and development," the BJP national general secretary Tarun Chugh, party's in-charge for J&K, told this newspaper.

Chugh said that the BJP, Independents and parties outside the Gupkar alliance will be able to form power in 14 out of the 20 DDCs in the UT. "We are satisfied with the outcome of the polls. The party has done well in the Kashmir valley also. The overall outcome of the polls clearly shows that the people have rejected the anti-national forces, who had expressed reserbations about unfurling the national flag," said Chugh.

"The people in J&K have endorsed the vision of the Prime Minister for an all round development. The outcome of the polls clearly shows that the nationalist forces have won, and the Gupkar alliance constituents have failed to get the popular acceptance. The outcome is also an endorsement of the development model of the Central government," said Chugh.

Campaign force

The BJP aggressively campaigned, with clear focus in the valley to make inroads in the support base of the National Conference

Independents become a force in Srinagar

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

PDP leader Waheed Para, who was arrested by NIA last month in militancy-related case, won the polls even without campaigning from his hometown Pulwama seat. However, the Gupkar Alliance suffered a major setback in Srinagar, where it got only three seats. Independents emerged a dominant force in Srinagar with seven seats followed by J&K Apni Party with thee seats and the BJP one.

While the PAGD contested the polls on the plank to demand restoration of Article 370 and statehood, BJP fought the polls on the plank of development and asserted that Article 370 had gone forever and cannot be restored.

The Congress, which initially aligned with PAGD but later ended its alliance with PAGD, was ahead in 25 seats (18 won and leading in seven). The J&K Apni Party of influential businessman and former PDP leader Altaf Bukhari won nine seats and was leading in five.

RESULTS OUT

Party	Seats Won
BJP	65
J&K NC	54
Independent	39
J&K PDP	25
INC	20
JKAP	10
JKPC	6
CPI (M)	5
JKPM	3
PDF	1
BSP	1
JKNPP	1
Total	231
Result awaited	49
Total DDC seats	280

'Forced' conversion: 8 more arrested in UP

NAMITA BAJPAI @Lucknow

EIGHT more persons were arrested in Etah town of Uttar Pradesh on Tuesday in connection with an inter-faith marriage and slapped with charges under the state's new anti-conversion law. In Etah, eight relatives of a Muslim family were arrested for "abduction and unlawful conversion" of a 21-year-old Hindu woman. So far, 14 people from the family of the main accused have been arrested.

Initially, the case was lodged against five people, including three women, last Thursday under IPC Section 366 (abduction or inducing a woman to marry) and Section 3/5 of the UP Prohibition of Unlawful Conversion of Religion Ordinance, 2020 on the basis of a complaint lodged by the father of the Hindu woman.

On Monday, the police had announced a reward of ₹25,000 each on five more accused in the case. Main accused Javed, along with four of his close relatives, is absconding.

Police teams are searching for the woman, who was reported missing from her house in Etah on November 17 and is suspected to be in Delhi. Sources close to her family said she had converted to Islam on November 28, the day the anti-conversion law was promulgated in UP. Sources said the conversion took place only after the woman had married the man, Mohammad Javed. Sources said the woman's family approached the local police last Thursday, allegedly after receiving a letter from Javed's Delhi-based advocate about the conversion.

In a separate case, three persons were sent to jail in Azamgarh on Monday while allegedly trying to convert a family to Christianity. An FIR was filed against Bachand Jaiswar of Jaunpur, Gopal Prajapati of Varanasi and Neeraj Kumar of Azamgarh under IPC and the new anti-conversion ordinance.

Guv dragging his feet over Aghadi's MLC nominees

Over a month has passed since the Maha Vikas Aghadi submitted a 12-name list of probable Members of Legislative Council to Bhagat Singh Koshyari for consideration under the Governor's quota. Neither has Koshyari approved the names nor raised any objections, making the nominees are a restless lot. Sources in the know say that Koshyari is unlikely to take any decision soon. Maha Vikas Aghadi has little option other than waiting for the approval like Vladimir and Estragon's wait in *Waiting for Godot* by Samuel Beckett.

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MUMBAI DIARY

Congress' Aslam Sheikh gets Uddhav's goat

Uddhav Thackeray is an angry man. No, it's not any coalition compulsion that has left him thus this time around. The reason is Congress minister Aslam Sheikh, and his attempt to break a two-decade-old tradition. The Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) has been the Shiv Sena's fiefdom for over two decades now. Absolute power means it controls and allots most of the civic body's contracts through its standing committee. Sources say the committee receives a chit ahead of its meetings. This chit directs them on which proposals need to be approved, rejected, or put on hold. Sheikh attempted to intervene by threatening the officials and contractors. This did not go down well with Thackeray, who complained to the Congress leadership against Sheikh.

Ajit baits prospective BJP defectors

Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar had been maintaining a low profile for over a year after his misadventure with the BJP. Return of the prodigal Ajit to the Nationalist Congress Party fold had left many stalwarts cagey. However, like a fresh convert out to prove his loyalty, Ajit has upped the tempo of his opposition to BJP. Besides attempting to poach BJP leaders, he has been assuring them sure shot reelection in the bypolls. He has been telling the prospective defectors that they would be the Maharashtra Vikas Agadhi's sole candidate against the BJP if they switch camp.

Rapprochement in Pawar family

Back then when Ajit Pawar had helped Devendra Fadnavis to form the 80-hour government, Sharad Pawar's daughter Supriya Sule's emotional litany was enough to melt any stone cold heart. Now, it seems Ajit and Supriya are cosy again, as is testified by the family photos they share. The political heavyweights are inching closer. The family pictures tend to give a Hum Saath Saath Hain message by being a study in unity. This message has also been endorsed by the emerging NCP leader and MLA Rohit Pawar.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that **SMT. K. SPURHTY** is the owner of immovable property mentioned in the schedule hereunder and he has lost original Sale Deed dated 17/4/2002 bearing Document No.1118 / 2002-03, Book-I, CD 67 executed by Sri. K. S. Siddalingappa & Sri. D. S. Venugopal in favour of Kum. Vaishali. S. Desaigoudar registered in the office of sub registrar, Bangalore North Taluk. In case anybody is in possession of the said document, the same shall be handover to the undersigned within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of publication of this notice.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing **Site No.3, Khatha No.151, formed in Assessment no.103 & 104** situated at **Kodigehalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk,** measuring east to west 60 feet and north to south 40 feet, totally measuring 2400 Square feet, and bounded on : **East by** : Private Property, **West by** : Road, **North by** : Site No.2, **South by** : Site No.4.

N. JAGADEESH KUMAR, Advocate
No.276, 2nd Floor, 1st Main Road,
Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018.

LOSS OF DOCUMENTS

My client Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited, No.22, MG Road, Bengaluru- 560001 had lost the Original of the registered Sale Deed dated 29-02-2012, from their custody, which is executed by Sri.K.Venkateshreddy, in favor of Sri.Venkateswarlu Vemulaand the said document is registered as Document No.BGR-1-10260/2011-12, in Book-I, stored in CD No.BGRD136, in the Office of Senior Sub-Registrar, Begur.The said document is not traceable at Kotak Mahindra Bank, MG Road Office, Bengaluru. To that effect, Police Complaint relating to the same is also registered through Lost Article Report vide Lost Report No.162833/2020, dated 14-12-2020.

If any person finds the aforesaid Original Sale Deed kindly handover the same to my address mentioned hereunder within Seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY:

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.53, in the layout known as "CHAITRA SHELTERS PHASE-II", formed in residential converted Sy. No.26/1, measuring East to West: 40 Feet and North to South: 30 Feet, totally measuring 1200 Square Feet, situated at Chikkathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk; presently BBMP Ward No.192 and BBMP Katha New No.26/1/309 and bonded on the;

East by: Site No.76, West by: 30-00 Feet Road, North by: Site No.54, South by: Site No.52.

LAW VERITAS
#47/1, F1, First Floor, Austin Plaza, F Kittel Nagar, Neelasandra, Bengaluru- 560047.
Contact No.9482088971/9535226971
17th December, 2020 Bengaluru

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-(IREPS) Tender Notice No. 15 UBL 2020-21, Dt : 15.12.2020

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tenders (IREPS) for the following work:

Name of Work	Approx. value
Hubballi Division: Conducting continuous Scour level monitoring of foundation (at pier No. 10 & pier No. 11) of Bridge No.184 at Km. 715/97-716/66 in Londa - Miraj section. (Maintenance period -28 months)	**Rs. 38,38,464/-**

Last date of submission of bids : **Up to 11:00 hrs of 11.01.2021**

For details log on: **www.ireps.gov.in**

Divisional Railway Manager (Works) South Western Railway, Hubballi

PUB/215/AASP/PRB/SWR/2020-21

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client intends to purchase the below-mentioned property from its present owner Mr. Santhosh V, S/o. Venkatesh K. Anyone having any sort of claims or objections relating to the property or proposed sale may lodge the same with the undersigned withing **7 days** from this publication, with supporting documents, failing which the sale transaction shall be completed without any reference to such right, title, interest and claim.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential property bearing Site No. 42, Katha No.87 and 88 and Assessment No. 87 & 88 situated at Parappana Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, presently said property comes in the limits of BBMP at Bengaluru measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet in all measuring 1200sq.fts and bounded as follows:

East By : Site No. 37
West By : Road
North By : Site No. 41
South By : Site No. 43

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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby given Notice to the General Public that My client Smt. Geetha Govind, W/o. B.H. Govinda Reddy, aged about 67 years, R/at No. 198/24, 9th C Main, Pipeline Road, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru - 560 040 is the sole and absolute owner of the Property bearing No. 3609, 2400 sq.ft in the IV Phase of VHBCS Layout, Girinagar, Bengaluru asper the B.D.A. approved Layout plan in Sy.Nos. 16, 17, 18, 19 of Gerehalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk and 101, 103/1, 103/2, 104/1, 105 & 106 of Hosakerehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru. Smt. Geetha Govind has also preferred a Regular First Appeal pending before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka against one Smt. Radha Gowda in RFA F.R. No. 1390/2020 challenging the Judgement and Decree dated 21.01.2019 passed in O.S. No. 526/2014 before the Court of the XXIV Additional City Civil and Sessions Judge, Bengaluru City (CCH-6) at Bengaluru. In view of the same, it is brought to the knowledge of the General Public not to deal with respect to the said property. In the event of any transaction, the same would be at your own risk.

Mr. Gaurav G.K., Advocate
No.180, 1st Floor, Central Complex,
S.C. Road, Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru-20.
Mobile : 9900959636
Bengaluru Date: 21.12.2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **SRI. ANAND KUMAR DEWASI,** S/o Dhusaram Dewasi, R/at No.896, 3rd Cross, Ashokanagara, Banashankari 1st Stage, 2nd Block, Bangalore-560053, intends to purchase the property described in the schedule hereunder possessed by **1. SRI. T.A.S. MURTHY,** S/o T.Ashwathaiah, and **2. SMT. ARUNA,** W/o Sri.T.A.S.Murthy Both R/at No.304, Brigade HillView Apartment, Gavipuram Main Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560019, Notice is hereby given to all concerned calling for objections if any against such purchase of the schedule property if anybody have any right, title, interest or claims whatsoever over the same or any part thereof, they are hereby requested to lodge their written objections/claims together with supporting documentary proof to the undersigned within 15 days of publication of this notice, failing which my client shall complete sale transactions and no subsequent claims by anybody shall be entertained and all such objections and claims will be deemed to be void and not binding on my client.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing No. 1008, Old site No.891 (earlier Northern portion of the composite property bearing No.891), situated in the layout formed by the Writers and Artists House Building Co operative Society Ltd; Bangalore at the Vishwabharathi International Complex Project Layout, Avalahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently located at 1st e Main Road, 2nd Phase, Presently under the jurisdiction of BBMP ward No. 162-Girinagar, Bangalore, measuring East to West 40ft, North to South 30ft, and bounded on the;

East by: 30ft Road, West by: Property No.890/1009, North by: 30ft Road, South by: Portion of the same property bearing No. 1008/1(Old No.891).

ADDRESS: **N.M. BHAT ASSOCIATES,** *Advocates*
No.64, 71st Cross, 5th Block, Rajajinagara,
Bangalore-10. Phone No. 9448129256
Date : 15-12-2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our clients are intending to purchase the immovable residential property which is morefully described in the schedule hereunder from Smt. Akkamahadevi B.Patil, Wife of Late B.M. Patil, Residing at 'Jhenkar', Amar Jyothi Layout, No.40/41, Dr. Shivarama Karantha Layout, Thanisandra, Bengaluru - 560 077. Any person/s who claim any right, title or interest of any nature or any lien charge in relation to the schedule property or has any objections should lodge such claim or objections in writing with the undersigned together with supporting documents within 7 days from this date, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claim or objection and our clients would proceed to complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Immovable Property being Vacant Site bearing No. 448, Doddakallasandra II Stage, I Block, Bengaluru, formed by the Bank Officers & Officials House Building Co-operative Society Ltd., comprised in various survey numbers, situated at Thippasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bengaluru, (Now called as Narayana Nagara II Block, under BBMP Anjanapura Ward No.196) measuring on the East by: 40.6 feet, West by: 40.6 feet, North by: 30.0 feet and South by: 30.0 feet, totally measuring 1215 square feet (113.11 square meters), and bounded on East by : Site No.449, West by : Site No.447, North by : Road, South by : Site No.453.

Address for service:
L.T. GOPAL & H.C. RAJESH, Advocates,
No.115, S-4,5,6, II Floor,
Pamadi chambers, D.V.G. Road,
Basavanagudi, Bangalore-04.
Mob: 9845059973/ 9845245676

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the General Public that my client **P.S.VENKATESH,** S/o Late P.R. Sathyanarayana Reddy, is intending to purchase the property fully described in the schedule hereunder from the landowner **Smt. LAKSHMIDEVAMMA.** Any person having any kind of right, interest or claim may lodge their objections in writing with documentary proof within **10 days** to the undersigned from the date of publication of this notice. If any kind of Objection is not received, my client will proceed to purchase the schedule property in accordance with law. Any claim received thereafter will not be entertained or considered.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of the **northern half portion of the property bearing No.13, Old Khata No.10, new Khata No.21/3, Konanakunte Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently BBMP Form –B Khata No.10/21/3, Northern portion, Konanakunte, Ward No.197, Bangalore, measuring East to West 50 Feet, North to South 15 Feet, totally measuring 750 Square Feet,** bounded on the:

East by : Property belongs to Sri.H.Beerappa
West by : 20 Feet Road
North by : Property No.12
South by : Southern half portion of same property gifted to Smt.D.Bhagyamma

D. SRINIVASA, Advocate
No.13, 3rd Cross, Journalist Colony,
Bangalore-560002 Mobile: 9886047740
Date: 22-12-2020

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my clients **Smt. Rehana Begum and Smt. Yasmeen Fathima** of No.3, 3rd Cross, Hutchins Road, St. Thomas Town, Bangalore have LOST the ORIGINAL SALE DEED / MOTHER DEED which is in the name of Smt. PUTTALAKSHMAMMA, Registered as No. 434/1969-70, Book I, Volume 2203, Pages 53 to 55, dated 29.04.1969, Registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru, in respect of the Schedule mentioned property of which my Clients are the owners. My clients have lodged a Lost Report No. 167374/2020, Serial No. 915455, dated : 21/12/2020 in this behalf with the Bengaluru City Police. Anyone finding the said document may contact the under signed advocate.

SCHEDULE

Property bearing Old No. 13, Sy. No. 70, New No. 21/12, 1st Cross, Patel Gundappa Street, Munireddypalya, Ward No.92, PID NO. 92-110/21/12, Bangalore, Measuring East to West : 31 Feet, North to South : 35 feet, total : 1085 sq.ft. and Bounded on East by : Property No. 12, West by : Property No. 14, North by : Thyagaraj property, South by : 18 feet Road.

MEER HASSAN, Notary & Advocate
#96, 11th Cross, Someshwara Nagar, Jayanagar 1st Block, Bangalore-560011.
Mob. : 9343476675, Date : 22/12/2020

THE NEW INDIA ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Divisional Office – X (671900), No.52, 1st Floor, Vinay Complex
Vani Vilas Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru – 560004.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for the information of General Public that with effect from **28-02-2021**, Our New India Assurance Co.Ltd. Micro Office (671905) situated at Karibasappa Building, Avove Umapathi Mandi, Opp. Private & KSRTC Bus Stand, Magadi Taluk – 562120, Karnataka State, will be closed.

The General Public of Magadi Taluk is requested to approach The New India Assurance Co. Ltd, Basavanagudi Divisional Office – X for the renewal of their insurance policies.

Basavanagudigudi Office Address:-
Divisional Manager
The New India Assurance Co. Ltd.,
No.52, Vinay Complex, 1st Floor,Vanivilas Road, Basavanagudi
Bengaluru- 560004.
Phone Nos. 08022420374/22420011/22421223 Mob. No.7760534108

sd/- **Divisional Manager**
Bengaluru D.O.X.

IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-41)

P & SC No. 290/2019

Between: Smt. Lavanya Narasimhaiah, W/o Dr. B.M.Chethan Kumar, No.907, 5th Cross, 9th "G" Main, HRBR Layout, 1st Block, Kalyan Nagar, Bengaluru-560043 ...**Petitioner**

And: 1. Smt. Mangala Prasad N W/o Dr.K.R.Shiva Prasad No.51, 13th Main, Kalanagar, K.G.Halli, Bengaluru-560015, **2. Prabhudev N,** S/o Late K.Narasimhaiah, No.83, Garden Gate Apartment, Dollygunj port, Blair And also at 307, Law Paradise, New Thippasandra, Bengaluru-560075. **3. Dr.Janardhan N** S/o Late K.Narasimhaiah N0.D6, ESI Quarters, KRS Road, Gokulam 3rd Stage, Mysuru-570002 ... **Respondents**

NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above named petitioner filed this petition, against the Respondents, seeking to issue succession Certificate in her favour, to enable her to get one fourth of (1/4) the amount released in her favour, deposited in various banks detailed in the schedule, in the name of her father K.Narasimhaiah, died on 3-5-2017. It is hereby informed to the General Public that, if anybody who are interested in the above matter, are hereby informed to take notice of this petition and hereby directed to appear before this Court in person or through an advocate on **11/01/2021** at 11.00 A.M failing which the above case will be heard and decided exparte.

SCHEDULE

Sl.No.	Name of Bank & Account No.	Name of the Branch	Amount in Rs.
1.	State Bank of India 54027607843	Siddaganga Extension, Tumkur	28,30,935,04/-
2.	State Bank of Mysore (now SBI) 54034613927	Vinayaka Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru	17,11,012,49/-
3.	ICICI Bank 015901501818	RPC Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru	5,07,898,00/-as on June 2017
4.	Vijaya Bank 122001010015111	Vijayanagar Branch, Bengaluru	11,35,033,00/-
		Total	**61,84,878,53/-**

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this 21st day of Dec. 2020.
By order of the Court, Asst. Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.
Advocate for Petitioner: **H. MOHAN KUMAR**
#1/4-3, II Floor, Sujatha Complex, Gandhinagar, 1st Main Road, Bengaluru-09. Ph: 9448523792

IN THE COURT OF LVIII ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU

P & S C No. 380 of 2020 (CCH-59)

PETITIONERS :

MAJOR (RETD.) V. N. RANGANATHAN
aged about 88 years, son of Late Sri Narayanavadhani, residing at No 591, First Floor, 10th Cross, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru – 560082.

SMT. APARNA SUBBARAYA
Aged about 67 years, wife of C.S.V. Narendra, residing at No 591, Ground Floor, 10th Cross, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru – 560082

V/s

RESPONDENTS: NIL

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the above named have made petition to this court under section 276 of Indian Succession Act, 1925 for the grant of Probate in the Last Will and Testament of Late Sri Vittalapur Narayanavadhani Nagaraja dated 10.08.2017. The Late Sri Vittalapur Narayanavadhani Nagaraja expired on 11.03.2020.

Interested parties are hereby called to appear in this court in person or by the pleader duly instructed on **28.01.2021 at 11.am.** Inform to show cause against the petitioners failing wherein the appearance will be heard and declared as Ex-parte.

SCHEDULE

Item 1

All that piece and parcel of land bearing Site No. 1037 (New Municipal No. 1037), measuring 50ft X 80ft, admeasuring 4,000 sq. Ft., now bearing PID No. 56-11-1037 and located at 14th 'C' Cross, Banashankari II Stage, BBMP Ward No. 56 (Ganesh Mandira Ward), Bangalore – 560 070 along with residential building comprising of ground and first floors and having super built-up area of 4,800 sq. Ft. and bounded on the

East by: Site No. 1038, **West by:** Site No. 1036, **North by:** Site No. 1034, **South by:** Road

Item 2

Savings Bank Account bearing S.B. A/c No. 10031221475, in State Bank of India, Banagirinagar Branch, belonging to the Testator, having a balance of Rs 17,62,019.17/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Nineteen and Seventeen Paise Only).

Item 3

1. Fixed Deposit bearing No. 37066122306, having maturity value of Rs 45,55,504/- (Rupees Forty Five Lakh Fifty Five Thousand Five Hundred Four Only) in State Bank of India, Banagirinagar Branch, belonging to the Testator.

2. Fixed Deposit bearing No. 37066121335, having maturity value of Rs 6,50,785/- (Rupees Six Lakh Fifty Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Five Only) in State Bank of India, Banagirinagar Branch, belonging to the Testator.

3. Fixed Deposit bearing No. 38904982818, having maturity value of Rs 40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs Only) in State Bank of India, Banagirinagar Branch, belonging to the Testator.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT, Asst Registrar City Civil Court Bengaluru

Advocate for Petitioners:
S SUSHANT VENKATESH PAI,
No. 253, 1st Floor, 6th Main, 36th Cross,
4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru- 560011

The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited

H.O: No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore - 560 018.Ph: 26677552

POSSESSION NOTICE FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY [APPENDIX IV (RULE 8-(1)]

Where as the undersigned being the authorised officer of The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstructionof Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest ACT 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules. at The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers in the following accounts having failed to repay the amount, notice is here by given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described here in bellow in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the said rules on the dates mentioned herein below. The borrowers in particular and the public in general is/are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited for amount and interest on & other charges.

Date of Possession: 18.12.2020

Name of the Borrower & Description of the Property Mortgaged	Amount outstanding
Applicant. Sri M.Santosh All the piece and parcel of The eastern portion of property bearing New No.14, Old No.12, Situated at 1st Main, 1st Cross, Harijan Colony, Ganganagar, Bangalore, now comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, BMP Ward No.98, Ganganagar, PID No.98-160-14, Bangalore, Measuring East to west: 22 ½ ft., and North to South; 35 ft., totally measuring 787 ½ square feet, and bounded on East by: Property No.12/1, West by: Property of B.Lakshmi of Schedule A, North by: Conservancy Road and Property No.13 & South by: 1st Cross Road.	**27,54,267/- + Int. thereon 18.12.2020**

Amount paid if any by any of the above borrowers after issuance of Possession Notice, would be reckoned for ascertaining the dues payable at the time of realisation / settlement.

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,
Bangalore -18

Place: Bangalore
Date: 18.12.2020

DRT-I

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL AT BANGALORE No.4, JEEVAN MANGAL BUILDING, RESIDENCY ROAD, BENGALURU-560025
O.A. No. 518/2019

BETWEEN:
INDIAN BANK, New Thippasandra Branch ....APPLICANT
AND:
M/s. Srinidhi Manufactures and another . ... DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE-23(viii) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL PROCEDURE RULES-1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

Defendants:

1. M/s. Srinidhi Manufactures, No. 96, 1st Floor, Nanjundaiah Layout, Begur, Bengaluru-560 068, Represented by its sole proprietor-Sri. K. S. Nagesh.
2. Sri. K. S. Nagesh, S/o. Srinivasaiah Aged about 49 years, No. 132, 2nd Floor, 4th Cross, South Avenue Layout, Gottigere, Bengaluru-560 083. ...... DEFENDANTS

Whereas the Applicant bank has instituted the above suit against you, i.e., the Defendants for a recovery of a sum of Rs. 62,82,546/- (Rupees Sixty Two Lakhs Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Forty Six only) together with interest. You are hereby summoned to appear Before The Debts Recovery Tribunal at Bangalore in person/by a pleader on 05-03-2021 at 10.30 a.m. to answer the same failing which the suit will be disposed of ex-parte. Given under hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this 24th day of November 2020 by order of the Tribunal, Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal at Bangalore.

Advocate for Applicant.
U.S. Yogesh Kumar Associates,
Advocates,
No 107,3rd Floor, 8th 'c' Main,
Opp. Jain Temple,
4th Block Jayanagar [West],
Bangalore 560011. Tel : +91 80 26640085
E-mail : usykassociates@gmail.com

Sd/-
By Order of the Tribunal,
(Registrar Debt Recovery Tribunal),
Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the public that we have been engaged by our client to investigate the title and ownership of Prism Johnson Limited (through its RMC Division), having its registered office at 305, Laxmi Niwas Apartment, Ameerpet, Hyderabad 500 016, in relation to the land described in the Schedule below and referred to as the **"Schedule Property"**.

If any person has any claims right, title, interest, pending litigation or demand of any nature in or upon the Schedule Property or any part thereof, the same shall be brought to the notice of the undersigned with supporting documents within 14 (fourteen) days from the date of this notice. If such claims are not made within the stipulated time period, then, such claim shall be considered to have been waived and/or given up and our client shall be entitled to complete the investigation in respect of the Schedule Property. Objections and/or claims received after the expiry of the stipulated time period shall neither be entertained nor be binding on our client.

SCHEDULE

Description of the Schedule Property

All that piece or parcel of industrial land bearing Plot No. 22A measuring 82,161 square feet, Phase 2, located on Graphite India Road, Doddanekkundi Industrial Area, situated on Survey No. 22 of Hoodi Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk and bounded as follows –

East by : Private Land;
West by : Plot No. 22B;
North by : KEB lands; and
South by : Public Road.

Mr. Gerald Manoharan
Partner, **J. Sagar Associates**
Level 3, Prestige Obelisk
3 Kasturba Road, Bengaluru 560 001
Phone: 080 435 03600 / 080 435 03610 E-mail: gerald@jsalaw.com

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OFFICE OF THE LOKTAK DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

(A GOVT. OF MANIPUR UNDERTAKING)

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

NIT No. PD/LDA/IWT-IMP/2019 **Date : 19-12-2020**

The Project Director, Loktak Development Authority, on behalf of the Chairman (LDA), hereby invites on-line tenders, in two bid system (Technical and Financial Bid), from eligible bidders as per enclosed specifications and related terms and conditions:

Sl. No	Name of Work and NIT No.	Approximate value of work	EMD	Tender Fee	Period of Completion
1	**Tender Notice No. PD/LDA/IWT-IMP/2019-1** Supply of Aquatic Vegetation Cutter - 1 no. for removal of floating and rooted vegetation for improvement of Inland Water Transport in Loktak Lake.	Rs. 3,80,95,385/-	Rs. 7,61,908/-	Rs. 2500/-	6 months
2	**Tender Notice No. PD/LDA/IWT-IMP/2019-2** Supply of Aquatic Weed Harvester - 1 no. for removal of floating and rooted vegetation for improvement of Inland Water Transport in Loktak Lake.	Rs. 3,26,42,308/-	Rs. 6,52,846/-	Rs. 2500/-	6 months
3	**Tender Notice No. PD/LDA/IWT-IMP/2019-3** Supply of Long Boom Amphibious Excavator - 1 no. for improvement of Inland Water Transport in Loktak Lake	Rs. 2,34,61,538/-	Rs. 4,69,231/-	Rs. 2500/-	6 months
4	**Tender Notice No. PD/LDA/IWT-IMP/2019-4** Supply of Long Carriage Track Excavator (long Boom) - 3 nos. for improvement of Inland Water Transport in Loktak Lake	Rs. 1,87,79,499/-	Rs. 3,75,590/-	Rs. 2500/-	6 months
5	**Tender Notice No. PD/LDA/IWT-IMP/2019-5** Supply of Self-propelled Amphibian multifunctional Dredger - 1 no. for improvement of Inland Water Transport in Loktak Lake	Rs. 4,88,69,390/-	Rs. 9,77,388/-	Rs. 2500/-	6 months
6	**Tender Notice No. PD/LDA/IWT-IMP/2019-6** Supply of Winch (5 ton) - 3 nos. for improvement of inland Water Transport in Loktak Lake	Rs. 18,46,154/-	Rs. 36,923/-	Rs. 500/-	6 months

Details of the tender will be available at the website **http://manipurtenders.gov.in** The tender documents shall be available online from 2:00 PM of 23-12-2020 to 11 AM of 12-01-2021 and date of opening of technical bid is 2 PM of 12-01-2021.

sd/-
Project Director
Loktak Development Authority

Karnataka Bank Ltd.

Your Family Bank Across India.

Asset Recovery Management Branch,
No.39/2, 2nd Floor, ASVNV Bhavan, Opp FKCCI Building,
Kempegowda Road, Bengaluru-560009

Ph : 080-22955928/929
E-mail: blr.arm@ktkbank.com
Website:www.karnatakabank.com
CIN:L85110KA1924PLC001128

SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to public in general and in particular to Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Karnataka Bank Ltd, the Secured Creditor on **04.07.2020,** will be sold on **"As is Where is" "As is What is" and "Whatever there is"** on **29.01.2021,** for recovery of **₹9,50,56,723.81 [Rupees Nine Crore Fifty Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Three and Eight One Paise Only]** under **PSOD A/c No.1047000601212401** along with future interest from **01.12.2020,** plus costs due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd Bengaluru Basaveshwarnagar Branch,** the Secured creditor from **(1) M/s Bunt Solar India Pvt. Ltd. a Private Ltd. Co. represented by its Directors: 1) Mr. Chandrashekar Shetty 2) Mr. Nischith Shetty** **Address:** 23/14, MM Complex, Marilingappa Layout, Papareddy Palya, Nagarabhavi 2nd Stage, Bengaluru- 560072, **(2) Mr Chandrashekar Shetty S/o Mr. Vittal Shetty** **addressed at:** No. 86, 4th Cross, 10th Block, 2nd Stage, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru-560072, **(3) Mr. Nischith Shetty B H S/o Mr Hiriyanna Shetty B, (4) Mr. Hiriyanna Shetty B S/o Mr Venkatappa Shetty** **both (3) and (4) addressed at:** No.17/1, Sri Devi Nilaya, Near New Age Public School, Marathahalli , Bengaluru-560037, being the borrower/guarantor/mortgagor.

Reserve Price/Upset Price below which the property may not be sold: ₹3,36,50,000/- (Rupees Three Crore Thirty Six Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only) [Inclusive of TDS]

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Description of Property	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit	Date & Time of Auction
Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of property measuring 3000 sq ft, bearing House Site no.13, HASB Khata No. 302/3, PID No. 85-83-302/3-13, New PID No. 057-W0347-44 situated at Kaggadasanapura Main Road, C V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru belonging to co-obligant Mr Hiriyana Shetty. **Boundaries of Property (As per Deed/Actual): East by:** House no. 12, **West by:** Road (7th A Cross Road), **North by:** House No. 14, **South by:** Road (Kaggadasapura Main Road) **Item No. 2:** All that piece and parcel of property measuring 600 sq ft, bearing House Site no. 14, HASB Khata No. 302/3, PID No. 85-83-302/3-13, New PID No. 057-W0347-44 situated at Kaggadasapura Main Road, C V Raman Nagar, Bengaluru belonging to co-obligant Mr Hiriyana Shetty **Boundaries of Property (As per Deed/Actual): East by:** House nos.11, **West by:** Remaining property of House no.14, **North by:** House No.15, **South by:** House no.13 (now belongs to same owner) **Total measuring 3600 sq ft along with Commercial Building (GF+FF) constructed thereon measuring 3490 sq ft.**	**₹3,36,50,000.00 (Rupees Three Crore Thirty Six Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only) [Inclusive of TDS]**	**₹33,65,000.00 (Rupees Thirty Three Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Only)**	**29.01.2021 from 11.00 A.M to 11.20 A.M**

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule (8) of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors)

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e., www.karnatakabank.com under the head "Mortgaged Assets for Sale".

The E-auction will be conducted through portal https://bankauctions.in/ on **29.01.2021** from **11.00 A.M. to 11.20 A.M.** with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at https://bankauctions.in/ and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on 28.01.2021) from M/s 4 Closure, Mr. Sreekanth B. (Asst. Manager), No.22, 5th Cross, Gurumahal Extension, Opp. Indian Hotel, K. G. Halli, Jalahalli (West), Bengaluru-560010 Mobile No: 9515160061, E-mail: sreekanth@bankauctions.in

Date: 21.12.2020
Place: Bengaluru

For Karnataka Bank Ltd.
Chief Manager & Authorised Officer

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government Of India Undertaking)

South End Road Branch
No 96, South End Road,
Bengaluru 560 004
Ph. 08026644038 / 22147997

POSSESSION NOTICE

[SECTION 13(4)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **04.02.2020** calling upon the borrower **M/s Prashanth Enterprises** to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice, being **Rs.1,63,09,044.19** (Rupees One Crore Sixty Three Lakhs Nine Thousand Forty Four and Paise Nineteen Only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **21.12.2020.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for an amount of **Rs. 1,85,95,634.19** (Rupees One Crore Eighty Five Lakhs Ninety Five Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Four and Paise Nineteen Only) and interest thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property:

Property standing in the name of Mrs Savitha Mishra situated at No 83, 4th cross, Ramachandra Agrahara, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru 560018 measuring about 111.44 Sq Mts with the following boundaries: Bounded on: North by: Lingaiah's house (Old No: 53/1), South by: Link Road, East by : Ranganath Rao House (Old No: 51), West by : K Krishnaswamy Rao's house

Date : 21.12.2020
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

REPCO HOME FINANCE LIMITED

Repco Home Finance

Door No.51,(FF),Above Hotel Namura Upachara,
1st A-Cross,LIC Model Colony ,3rd Stage, 4th Block
Opposite Axis Bank Ltd, West of Cord Road, Basaveshwaranagar - 560079.

POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being Authorised Officer of Repco Home Finance Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **Demand Notice** dated **25-02-2020** calling upon the **Borrower: Mr. H.R. Anand Kumar Achar,** S/o, H.B. Rudrachar, D.No. 106, DS Max Status, Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 064 **Co-Borrower: Mrs. E. Manjula,** W/o, H.R. Anand Kumar Achar, D.No. 106, DS Max Status, Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 064, **Guarantor: Mr.N.Janakiraman,** S/o, R. Narayan, D.No. 4, 8th Main, Brundravana Nagar, Mathikere, Bangalore - 560 054 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice vide **Loan Account No. 1861870000260** being **Rs.14,23,696/-** with further interest from **10-02-2020** onwards and other costs thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower, Co-Borrower and the Guarantor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, co-borrower, guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 9 of the said rules on this the **17th day of December 2020.**

The Borrower, Co-Borrower, Guarantor and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Repco Home Finance Limited,** Door No. 51, (FF), Above Hotel Namura Upachara, 1st A-Cross, LIC Model Colony, 3rd Stage, 4th Block, Opposite Axis Bank Ltd, West of Cord Road, Basaveshwaranagar - 560 079 vide **Loan Account No. 1861870000260** for an amount of **Rs. 15,34,904/-** with further interest from **14-12-2020** onwards and other costs thereon.

We draw your attentions to Sec 13 (8) of the Securitisation Act as per which, no further steps shall be taken for transfer or sale of the secured asset, if the dues of the secured creditor together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by secured creditor are tendered by you at anytime before the date fixed for sale or transfer of the secured asset.

Description of the Property

All that piece and parcel of the immovable Residential Property Flat bearing No. 106, in the 1st Floor, in the Residential Complex know as "DS-MAX STATUS" with built up area of 1050 Sq.ft., constructed on Vacant Sites bearing No. 19, Measuring 2,200 Sq.ft., Site No. 20, measuring 2,200 Sq.ft., Sites No. 29, measuring 2320 Sq.ft., Site No. 30 measuring 2320 Sq.ft., and sites formed out of 18 Guntas of Katha No. 316/334, carved out of converted Sy. No. 58/1, all properties situated at Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, together with 218 Sq.ft., of undivided share right and title in the total property and one car parking slot bearing No. 106, total property measuring 9,040 Sq.ft., Total Property Bounded on the:

East by: Site No. 18 & 31 **West by:** Site No. 21 & 28 **North by:** 30 feet wide Road **South by:** Road

Place: **Basaveshwaranagar**
Date: **17-12-2020**

Authorised officer
Repco Home Finance Limited

Yes Bank Limited

YES BANK

Prestige obelisk, Municipal No.3,
Ground Floor, Kasturbaa Road,Bangalore-560001.

POSSESSION NOTICE

Loan Account No. AFH002200331138

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of YES Bank Limited, under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 has issued Demand Notice dated 16th Sept 2020 under Section 13(2) of the said Act calling upon the borrower (1) Mr. Alok Agarwal, S/o Mr. Upendra Kumar Agarwal, Residing at Flat No.14, Vittola Apts, Kalena Agrahara, Bannerghatta Road, Opp Decalthon Shop, Bangalore-560076., Also at Mr. Alok Agarwal, Raah Financials India Pvt Ltd., No.558, Ground Floor, 9th Cross, 3rd Phase, J.P.Nagar, Bangalore-560078., ("hereinafter referred to as the Applicant") (2) Ms. Seema Agarwal, W/o Mr. Alok Agarwal, Residing at Flat No.14, Vittola Apts, Kalena Agrahara, Bannerghatta Road, Opp Decalthon Shop, Bangalore-560076., ("hereinafter referred to as the Co-borrower"), (3) Mr. Rahul Bansal, S/o Rajeev Bansal, Residing at No.8, Flat No.304, Maruti Residency, Bannerghatta Road, BG Road, Bangalore-560076., ("hereinafter referred to as the Guarantor") to repay the amount mentioned in the said notice being Rs. 47,72,641.21/- (Rupees Forty Seven Lakhs Seventy Two Thousand Six Hundred and Forty One and Twenty One Paisa Only) as on 11-Sept-2020 together with further interest at contractual rates on the aforesaid amount, incidental expenses, costs, charges, etc. incurred from 12th Sept-2020 till the date of payment and / or realisation within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The borrower mentioned herein above having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower mentioned herein above in particular and to the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with the Rule 8 of the said Rules on 21-Dec-2020.

The borrower mentioned herein above in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said property and any dealings with the said property will be subject to the mortgage of YES Bank Limited, for an amount of Rs.47,72,641.21/- (Rupees Forty Seven Lakhs Seventy Two Thousand Six Hundred and Forty One and Twenty One Paisa Only) as on 11-Sept-2020 together with further interest at contractual rates on the aforesaid amount, incidental expenses, costs, charges, etc. incurred from 12th Sept, 2020. As contemplated U/s. 13(8) of the Act, in case our dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by us are tendered at any time before the date fixed for sale or transfer, the secured asset shall not be sold or transferred by us, and no further step shall be taken by us for transfer or sale of that secured asset.

Details of the mortgaged property : (Larger extent of land owned by the Owners and offered for development to the Developer herein)

a) All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Survey Nos.46 and 46/2, situated at Kalena Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore and measuring about 2 Acres in all measuring 87,120 square feet. The entire property bearing Nos 46 and 46/2, Katha bearing No.710, issued by Basavanapura Panchayat, Begur Hobli, Bangalore.

b) All that piece and parcel of the sites bearing Nos 62, 83, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129 and 136 in survey Nos 46 and 47/1, situated in Kalena Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring 8800 square feet along with all easement rights and access roads available to these sites, bearing Khatha Nos 230, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 304 and 357, issued by Basavanapura Village Panchayat, Begur Hobli, Bangalore, but excluding the easement rights and access roads of adjoining properties, thus the entire property measuring in all 95,920 square feet and bounded on the:- East by:- Kere Angala, West by:- Private Properties and Road, North by:- Private Property, South by:- Private Properties and Road.

Schedule-A Property: 575 Square. Feet., of undivided share, title and interest forming part of the Schedule Property.

Schedule-B Property: All the piece and parcel of the Flat No.411, on the fourth floor, measuring about 1093 square feet, in the Vayuvya Block of Residential Apartment named "Vithola" on the Schedule Property, consisting of Two Bed Rooms, a living and dining room, kitchen and two Bathrooms and one servant toilet along with one covered car park numbered as CP-411., the apartment is of RCC structures with ceramic flooring, aluminum windows and wooden flush doors with electrical (separate meter) and water connection

Date: 23.12.2020, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer**

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Spain's annual Christmas lottery doled out to winners on Tuesday

GLOBAL WEATHER

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Beijing	1	-9	SNY	Los Angeles	22	8	SNY
Colombo	30	21	TDS	Melbourne	25	16	LC
Dhaka	27	15	SNY	Moscow	-2	-3	LC
Dubai	28	17	SNY	New York	1	0	HR
Houston	11	2	SNY	Singapore	31	24	TDS
Istanbul	11	8	LC	Toronto	-3	-5	LC
London	11	7	LR	Washington	3	2	LC

Brussels urges EU states to lift UK travel bans

Britain is increasingly isolated and its trade has been bottled up, stoking fears of food shortages

BRUSSELS

THE European Commission recommended Tuesday that EU member states lift the blanket bans some have imposed on arrivals from Britain to allow essential journeys and cargo transport to resume.

"Flight and train bans should be discontinued given the need to ensure essential travel and avoid supply chain disruptions," a statement from the EU executive said.

EU member states are responsible for their own borders, but representatives were to meet later Tuesday to study the Commission's recommendations. Several EU member states have imposed flight, train and ferry bans on UK arrivals since Britain announced the discovery of a new strain of coronavirus.

Police patrol along the M20 motorway where freight traffic is halted while the Port of Dover remains closed in Kent, England, on Tuesday | AP

The ban on arrivals in France has led to long tailbacks of freight trucks in southern England, and has disrupted passenger travel in the run-up to Christmas.

Member states want to get their own nationals home from Britain, and resume freight shipments, but they still want to discourage "non-essential" travel. The Commission recommended, therefore, that coronavirus tests be carried out on passengers within 72 hours of travel -- although "transport staff" should be exempted.

"Transit of passengers, especially for essential travel, should be facilitated without quarantine," it said.

"A test can be required, but authorities need to inform about such requirement in advance or offer testing during the journey," the statement said. British Home Secretary Priti Patel told Sky News that British and French authorities are in talks on setting up testing centres in ports.

Food shortages

On an island nation that relies heavily on its commercial links to the continent, travel curbs have stoked fears of food shortages over Christmas. France decided late Sunday to suspend all arrivals from the United Kingdom for 48 hours over the new strain that has resulted in a third lockdown for London and much of southeast England.

Given that around 10,000 trucks pass through Dover every day, accounting for about 20% of the country's trade in goods, retailers are getting increasingly concerned.

Andrew Opie, director of food and sustainability at the British Retail Consortium, warned of potential shortages of fresh vegetables and fruit after Christmas if the borders are not "running pretty much freely" by Wednesday. *Agencies*

COVID FALLOUT

RELIEF PACKAGE ENDS SURPRISE MEDICAL BILLS

WASHINGTON

PEOPLE with private health insurance in the US will see the nasty shock of "surprise" medical bills virtually gone, thanks to the coronavirus compromise passed by Congress. The charges that can run from hundreds to lakhs of dollars come from doctors and hospitals that are outside the network of a patient's health insurance plan. It's estimated that about 1 in 5 emergency visits and 1 in 6 inpatient admissions will trigger a surprise bill.

Although lawmakers of both parties long agreed that the practice amounted to abusive billing, a lobbying war between doctors and insurers had thwarted a compromise, allowing the impasse to become a symbol of dysfunction in Washington. "This has been a profoundly distressing pocketbook issue for families for years," said Karen Pollitz, a health insurance expert with the nonpartisan Kaiser Family Foundation. "Some of these bills are onerous, and they all strike people as unfair."

The compromise would take patients and their families out of the financial crosshairs by limiting what they can be billed for out-of-network services to a fee that's based on in-network charges. The amount consumers pay would get counted toward their in-network annual deductible. Insurers and service providers would submit their billing disputes to an independent dispute resolution process, which will follow certain guidelines. *AP*

China vows measures against US visa curbs

Beijing said on Tuesday it would take "legitimate and necessary" measures against the US in response to Washington's latest visa restrictions on Chinese officials suspected of human rights abuses. The US has toughened entry rules for Chinese officials and students in recent months as part of its campaign against Beijing. The State Department has also cancelled visas for more than 1,000 Chinese students and researchers suspected of espionage.

Fox & Newsmax walk back claim on election

Two election tech companies whose names have come up in US President Donald Trump's false charges of widespread voter fraud in the presidential election are fighting back, prompting unusual public statements from Fox News and Newsmax. The statements came after the companies Smartmatic and Dominion raised the prospect of legal action for reporting what they said was false information about them.

SHOT OF HOPE

US President-elect Joe Biden receives a Covid-19 vaccine shot in Delaware | AP

Kansas City Star apologises for decades of racist coverage

WASHINGTON

THE editor of the *Kansas City Star* apologised Monday on behalf of the American daily newspaper for decades of racist and discriminatory coverage of the Black minority.

The police killing of Black man George Floyd in May had forced the paper to grapple with its historical coverage, editor in chief Mike Fannin told *CNN*.

Fanin apologised in a long editorial in the 140-year-old newspaper, where Ernest Hemingway once served as a cub reporter. *AFP*

EXPRESS READ

Putin signs bill giving presidents immunity for life

Russian President Vladimir Putin on Tuesday signed legislation that will grant former presidents lifetime immunity once they leave office. The bill gives former presidents and their families immunity from prosecution for crimes committed during their lifetime. They will also be exempt from questioning by police or investigators, as well as searches or arrests.

Pope adapts Christmas plans as cardinals test Covid-positive

Pope Francis will deliver his Christmas Day message indoors due to coronavirus restrictions, the Vatican said Tuesday, as two cardinals close to the pontiff tested positive for Covid-19. The pope traditionally gives his "Urbi and Orbi" (To the City and The World) message from the balcony of St Peter's Basilica on December 25.

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ASHOK KUMAR SHANMUGAM MOHANA**, R/o House no. #15 & 16, 18th A - Cross Road, Santosh Vihar Phase - 2, Jakkur Layout, Bangalore – 560092, have changed my name as **ASHOK KUMAR**, vide affidavit dated 21.12.2020 sworn before notary GR. Ravichandra Reddy, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **LAKSHMI .N**, W/o. RAVI KUMAR .M.K, R/at #407, Chikka Hanumantha Reddy Road, Banaswadi, Bengaluru-560043, have changed my name to **ANITHA LAKSHMI .M.R**, vide affidavit dated 22.12.2020, before notary **GANGARAJU .B.N**, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) ASMA BEGUM, W/o. Abdul Wajeed, residing at No, 12, 5th Cross, 8th Main, Shamanna Nagar, Bengaluru-560026, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) ASMA BEGUM** to **(NEW NAME) GULSHAN ARA** vide affidavit Dated 15/12/2020 sworn before Notary H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **P NAUSHEEN** daughter of **PATTAN HAROON KHAN**, resident of SMQ P 598/2, 7th Camp, Air Force Station, Jalahalli East, Bangalore-14, have changed my name from **P NAUSHEEN** to **PATHAN NAUSHEEN**, vide Affidavit Dated 22-12-2020 Before Advocate and Notary **D. SARALA KUMARI**, Reg No. 10192 Bangalore Karnataka.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ANITHA KUMARI**, R/at FLNO. MA501, Park West Apts, Shapoorji Paloongi, Binnypet Bengaluru-560023,have changed my name to **ANITHA JAIN** vide affidavit dated:22/12/2020 Before Notary **H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I **Apoorva.A. @ Apoorva.A.Lewis @ Apoorva Apoloniya** W/o Sri. Sanjay Sharma, aged about 28 years, residing at No.J201, Purva Palm Beach Apartments, Hanumanthappa Layout, off. Henur Road, Bangalore-560043, has changed my name as **Apoorva Sharma** vide Affidavit sworn before the Notary Public dated 19.12.2020 at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PATTAN HAROON KHAN**, resident of SMQ P 598/2, 7th Camp, Air Force Station, Jalahalli East, Bangalore 560014, have changed my daughter's name from **P NAUHEED** to **PATHAN NAUHEED**, vide Affidavit Dated 22-12-2020 Before **SARALA KUMARI**, Bangalore Notary Karnataka.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KHALEE ULLA KHAN** S/o **Abdul Wahab Khan,** R/at No. 210/211, 402, 4th Floor, 7th Cross, Teachers Colony, Banashankari, 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560070, have changed my name to **KHALEEL ULLA KHAN** vide affidavit dated: 22/12/2020 Before Notary **R.Basavaraja** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, VISHAL SURESH LUND., S/o. Suresh M, age 36 years, resident of `ASHIRWAD' # U 11, 1st Cross, Pipeline, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560 003, have changed my name from **VISHAL SURESH LUND** to **VISHHAL LUND** vide affidavit dated 21/12/2020 sworn before Notary Public, K.P. Ramesh, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SARSWATI JAISWAL** spouse of Abhinav Jaiswal resident of SMQ- 382/4, 6th Camp, Air Force Station Jalahalli East, Bangalore 560014, have changed my name from **SARSWATI JAISWAL** to **SARASWATI JAISWAL**, vide Affidavit Dated 26-09-2020 Before Advocate and Notary **D. SARALA KUMARI**, Reg No. 10192 Bangalore Karnataka.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NAGARAJA CHANDRAHASA** R/at No.64, 16th Cross, Jayalakshmamma Layout, Bengaluru-560091 have changed my name to **NAGARAJ.C** vide affidavit dated:22/12/2020 Before Notary **H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I,**VAISHALI LAD** D/o Udayasingh V Lad No.13, Lavanya, Nanjundappa Garden Street, Ramaswamypalya, Banglore- 560033, have renounced my earlier name VAISHALI VINCENT and I shall be known and called as **VAISHALI LAD,** hereinafter and have sworn an Affidavit dated 21/12/2020 before the Notary, S. Ramesh Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **DEEPA SRIKANTH BABU**, W/o Sri. Srikanth Babu and mother of minor daughter, **Miss. MANASVI SRIKANTH**, previously known as Miss **MANASVI SRIKANTH BABU**, R/at No. F-19, Fortuna Icon Apartments, F-Block, Sahakarnagar, Bangalore-92, do hereby declare that hereafter my daughter name is **MANASVI SRIKANTH,** vide affidavit dated 15.12.2020, sworn before Smt. **AMBUJAKSHI,** Notary, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NITESH KUMAR PRAKASH CHAND JAIN,** R/at FLNO.MA501, Park West Apts, Shapoorji Paloongi, Binnypet Bengaluru-560023, have changed my name to **NITESH JAIN** vide affidavit dated:22/12/2020 Before Notary **H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Smt. Rakshitha. K,** D/o Krishna and W/o Sri. Sunil M, Aged about 19 years, residing at # 101/18, 22nd Main Road, Revenue Layout, Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore-560070. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from **'RAKSHITHA. K'** to **"AISHWARYA"** vide Affidavit dated 17.12.2020, Swom before Advocate and Notary Public L. Puttaraju, Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **VINOD .K.C,** R/at #114, 1st Cross, Ramakrishnappa Layout, Malagala, Nagarabhavi 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560091, have changed the name of My Minor Daughter From **NIRVI VINOD** TO **NIRVEE .V.K.C**, vide affidavit dated: 22.12.2020, before Notary **D. GUNASHEKAR,** Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PADMAVATHI V** Aged About 44 Years, W/o **Muni Reddy,** R/at No.78, Near Ganesha Temple, Kothnoordinne, Jp Nagar 8th Phase, Bangalore-560078 have changed my name to **PADMA** vide affidavit dated: 21/12/2020 Before Notary **Mahesha J.J** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I Pramod Kumar residing at Flat No. E-182, Assetz Marq , Kanna mangala village & Post, Hoskote Road, whitefield, Bangaluru-15, have changed my son name from **NUPUN KUMAR** to **ARISH KUMAR** vide affidavit dated 07-12-20 sworn before Notary and Advocate K.B. Sadha Shivappa, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **SOUDA BEE SHAMSHUDDIN**, R/at Kolakeri Village & Post, Madikeri Taluk, Kodagu-571214, Camp at Bengaluru, have changed the name of My Minor Daughter from **SHAHANA** to **SHAHANA .T.S** vide Affidavit Dated: 22/12/2020, before notary **D. GUNASHEKAR** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SEEMA NARANG** W/o **Thanuj Bangalore Madanakesari,** R/at No. 23, Ratnatraya Modelhouse 4th Street NR Colony, Bengaluru -560004 have changed my name to **SEEMA NAYAR** vide affidavit dated:16/12/2020 Before Notary **Hemalatha.P** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SREE RANI**, W/o. SEAN CHARLES DIAS, R/at #48/4, 1st Cross, Someshwara puram, HAL II Stage, Bengaluru-560008, have changed my name to **CYNTHIA DIAS,** vide affidavit dated 22.12.2020, before notary **GANGARAJU .B.N**, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SHEENA, Spouse of No. JC 310424H SUB Pramod Muthuvattuthazha, residing at Thapasya, Atholi (Post) Kozhikode (Dist) Kerala (State) PIN:673315, have changed my name from **SHEENA** to **SHEENA PRAMOD** vide affidavit Dated 21/12/2020 sworn before Notary Gangaraju.B.N., Bangalore.

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NOTIFICATION REGARDING TENDERS OF KPL

The Notice Inviting Tenders (NIT)/ the tender requirements of KPL will not be henceforth published in newspapers. All the concerned are hereby notified that tender enquiries of KPL will be published on KPL website (www.kamarajarport.in) and Government's Central Public Procurement Portal (http://eprocure.gov.in)

All the interested bidders are requested to refer above websites for tenders of KPL

GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

BUILDINGS (C & M) CIRCLE, MEDICAL WORKS, TRICHY

TENDER EXTENSION NOTICE, DATED: 22.12.2020

The date of tender for the work in the Tender Notice No.14/2020-2021/BCM/ MW/ TRY/ Dated:23.11.2020 published in Newspaper is extended due to **Administrative reason** and the date of receiving tender is fixed upto **3.00 PM** on **12.01.2021** and will be opened on **12.01.2021** at **3.30 PM.** The tender schedule can be downloaded upto **11.01.2021, 5.45 PM**. All other Details may be downloaded from the following websites : **www.tenders.tn.gov.in(or) www.tntenders.gov.in**

Other conditions remain unaltered.

DIPR / 4823 / TENDER / 2020

Superintending Engineer, P.W.D.,
Buildings (C & M) Circle, Medical Works, Trichy

Notice Inviting Re- e-Tender

SSA/Esstt/Aids & Appliance/702/2014/Pt/3502 Date : 21.12.2020

Mission Director, Axom Sarba Siksha Abhijan Mission (Samagra Shiksha), Kahilipara, Guwahati-19, Assam invites re-tender through e-Tendering process from reputed supplier for supply of Assistive Device Equipment.

To participate in this tender process through e-procurement document, bidder should have valid Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) and have to register in the portal **https://assamtenders.gov.in** by themselves.

The Bidder who have downloaded the tender schedules containing the tender details, terms and conditions, from the website shall submit their tender on-line on the website **https://assamtenders.gov.in,** with proof of payment of non refundable tender fee of Rs. 1000/- (Rupees one thousand) only in the form of demand draft / Bankers Cheque drawn in favour of Mission Director, Axom Sarba Siksha Abhijan Mission, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19, Assam and payable at Guwahati. The tender should be submitted on-line as per date and time of submission as per prescribed schedule.

JANASANYOG No. CF/3430/20

Sd/-Executive Director, SSA,Assam Kahilipara, Guwahati-19

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No:506/BGM/SEE/Tr.(W&M)/C/EE(O)/AEE-1/20-21/F-5619-27 Dated: 21-12-2020
No:506/BGM/SEE/Tr.(W&M)/C/EE(O)/AEE-2/20-21/F-5638-45 Dated: 22-12-2020

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-procurement mode only)

KPTCL invites bids for the following works coming under the jurisdiction of Transmission (W&M) Circle, Belagavi.

1) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL / SEE/ TR (W & M) C / 20-21/ TLMMENGTP for providing 10 Nos. of men for maintenance of 220/110kV Lines & Major breakdowns in TLM Section, Ghataprabha, TLM Subdivision, Belagavi.

2) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/TR(W&M)/C/20-21/ TLMMENSDT for providing 10 Nos. of men for maintenance of 220/110kV Lines & Major breakdowns in TLM Section, Soundatti,TLM Subdivision, Belagavi.

3) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/TR(W&M)/C/20-21/ IND1795 for Procurement of hydraulic conductor cutters and come-alongs to Tr(W&M) Circle, Belagavi.

4) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/TR(W&M)/C/20-21/ IND1796 for Supply of 1 No. Battery-operated compression jointing machine for TLM Section, Belagavi.

5) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/TR(W&M)/C/20-21/ IND1797 for Supply of 1 No. Battery-operated compression jointing machine for TLM Section, Ghataprabha.

6) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/TR(W&M)/C/20-21/ IND1798 for Supply of 1 No. Battery-operated compression jointing machine for TLM Section, Soundatti.

The detailed notification regarding the works called through the **"E-procurement"** mode can be obtained by logging onto E-procurements's website **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in"** on or after **4:00pm** on **23-12-2020** for Sl. No. **1 & 2** and **24-12-2020** for Sl. No. **3 to 6**. Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Electrical), Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Nehru Nagar, Belagavi-590010

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Undersigned counsel for the petitioner herewith filed a case on behalf of the petitioner **HASEENA BEE** V/s respondent the Commissioner, Register of Birth and Deaths, BBMP, Bangalore at ACMM, Bangalore, C.Misc regarding the death of deceased name as **DASTAGIRI SAB S/o GOODA SAB expired on 17-05-2017 intostate at Brought Dead on Way, Vims Hospital, Bangalore-560017,** Interested parties are hereby call to appear in this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on **11/01/2021 at about 11:00 AM** inform the show cause against the petitioner, failing where in the appearance will be heard and declare as Ex-party, any person interested to file their objection in this matter within 7 days before the court as above on before.

B. MANJUNATHA, Advocate
No. 4, 3rd Floor, MSKS Building, Sirur Park Road, Behind Nataraja Theatre, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore-560020. Mob. 9741277751. Dt. 15-12-2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that my client, Shri. Muniyappa, S/o Late.Nanjappa, residing at No.23, Challaghatta Post, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560060, is the absolute owner of land bearing Survey No.17/3, measuring 32 guntas, 17/4 measuring 18 guntas, No.17/5 measuring 27 guntas, No.17/6 measuring 7 guntas, situated at Muddapurakarenahalli Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk, Ramanagara District, totally measuring 2 Acres 4 guntas. My client reported that his predecessor in title has lost or misplaced three original registered Sale Deeds pertaining to the abovementioned property and in this regard, an appropriate police complaint dated 27.11.2019, has been lodged.

The general public is hereby informed that any person/s finding any or all of the original registered Sale Deeds, pertaining to the above mentioned property, may please hand over the same to the undersigned immediately. Further, the general public is cautioned not to deal with anyone who may be in possession of the lost registered Sale Deeds pertaining to the aforementioned property.

Any person/s claiming to have any right, title or interest in and over the aforementioned property or any part thereof arising out of the lost/ misplaced registered Sale Deeds mentioned supra, should lodge his or her claim, if any, in writing, supported by authentic documentary evidence to the undersigned, within seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, my client will consider that there are no such objections whatsoever and any claims lodged and received after the expiry of the above stipulated period will not be binding on my client in any manner.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of immovable property, bearing Survey No.17/3, measuring 32 guntas, 17/4 measuring 18 guntas, No.17/5 measuring 27 guntas, No.17/6 measuring 7 guntas, situated at Muddapura Karenahalli Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk, Ramanagara District, totally measuring 2 Acres 4 guntas and bounded as follows:

East by: Land bearing Survey No. 17/7 & Water Channel; West by: Land bearing Survey No. 18; North by: Land bearing Survey No. 17/2; South by: Water Channel.

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POLLACHI MUNICIPALITY

E - TENDER NOTICE

Roc.No. 4956/2020/E1 Date : 22.12.2020

1. The Commissioner, Pollachi Municipality invites bids in Two Cover System from the interested Registered Firms for the following works through E-Tendering process and OFF line submission as mentioned below
2. **SPECIAL ROAD PROGRAMME 2020-2021** Providing BT Surface at Pollachi Municipality
   - i) **Package I -Estimate Cost : Rs. 419.00 Lakh.**
   - ii) **Package II -Estimate Cost : Rs. 218.00 Lakh.**
   - iii) **Package III -Estimate Cost : Rs. 213.00 Lakh.**
   - iv) **Package IV-Estimate Cost : Rs. 220.00 Lakh.**
   - v) **Package V -Estimate Cost : Rs. 230.00 Lakh.**
3. Bid documents available at free of cost in the website **https://tntenders.gov.in**
4. **Important dates**

1	Date and time of Pre bid Meeting	**07.01.2021 at 11.00 am**
2	Last date and time for downloading bid documents	**27.01.2021 at 2.00 pm**
3	Last Date and time for submission of bid document **a) Online Submission** **b) Offline Submission**	**27.01.2021- 2.00 pm** **28.01.2021- 3.00 pm**
4	Date and time of opening of the Technical Bid	**28.01.2021 at 3.30 pm**

5. In the event of Specified date for submission of bids is declared a holiday, bids will be received and opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.

DIPR/ 4819 /TENDER/2020

Commissioner, Pollachi Municipality.

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act.) read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (the said Rules). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the said Rules, the Authorised Officer of IIFL Home Finance Ltd.(IIFL HFL) (Formerly known as India India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s), to repay the amount mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them. In connection with above, notice is hereby given, once again, to the Borrower(s) to pay within 60 days from the publication of this notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest from the date(s) of Demand Notice till the date of payment. The detail of the Borrower(s), amount due as on date of Demand Notice and security offered towards repayment of loan amount are as under:-

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor (s)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Description of secured asset (immovable property)
Mrs. Kamalamma, Mrs.Radhika R, Mr.Srinivasa **(Prospect No. 826136)**	16-Dec-20 **Rs. 6,06,089.00/-** (Rupees Six Lakh Six Thousand Eighty Nine Only)	All that piece and parcel of the property being : H. No. 731, admeasuring 1500 sq.feet, Khata No. 512/731, Kenkere Village, At Post, Huliyar Hobli, Chikkanayakanahalli Taluk, Tumkur, Karnataka

If the said Borrowers fail to make payment to IIF HFL as aforesaid, IIFL HFL may proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the said Act, and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks, costs and consequences of the Borrowers.

For, further details please contact to Authorised Officer at Branch Office : IIFL HFL "ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025/or Corporate Office : IIFL Tower, Plot No. 98, Udyog Vihar, Ph-IV Gurgaon, Haryana. **Place: Bangalore Date: 23.12.2020** **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd**

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Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
452.73 ▲	Sensex	46,006.6	₹47 ▼	24 carat (1 gm)	₹5,156	₹1,700 ▼	Per kg	₹40,040	▲ Dollar		73.84
137.9 ▲	Nifty	13,466.30	₹44 ▼	22 carat (1 gm)	₹4,725	₹1.7 ▼	Per gm	₹72	▲ Euro		90.28

Govt stares at a revenue shortfall of ₹4 lakh cr in FY21

SUNITHA NATTI

WITH just three months left to close the fiscal, it's becoming certain that the shortfall in revenue collections would be about ₹4 lakh crore in FY21.

Even though advance tax collections during the December quarter reportedly fared better than the September quarter, the overall direct tax revenue alone is likely to witness a shortfall of over ₹3 lakh crore, according to multiple estimates. The FY21 budget target for direct tax collections stood at ₹13.19 lakh crore, but going by preliminary estimates, the final mop up is expected to settle somewhere around ₹9 lakh crore. As of October, direct tax collections stood at ₹5.89 lakh crore or 45 per cent of the target, net of refunds. Last year during the same period, they stood at ₹6.75 lakh crore. Similarly, between April and October, overall revenue collections stood lower at ₹7.34 lakh crore, or 34 per cent of the budgeted amount as against 46.2 per cent last year.

According to SBI Research, net revenue collections may fall below budget estimates by ₹3.8 lakh crore, after adjusting for gains from duty hike and DA freeze. This includes the anticipated shortfall in net tax revenue of ₹3 lakh crore, followed by shortfall in non-tax revenue of ₹1.3 lakh crore. Similarly, shortfall in disinvestment receipts is pegged at about ₹1.6 lakh crore.

"For full year FY21, based on budget estimate nominal GDP calculations, total expenditure would have fallen by 1 per cent of GDP and revenues by a steep 8 per cent. However, the full year math is somewhat saved by a collapse in nominal GDP...a combination of weaker revenues — tax collections (direct and indirect while excise duties fare better) as well as non-tax (disinvestments) and a modest increase in total expenditure primarily revenue spending, while capex is scaled back," noted DBS.

Gross borrowings have been pegged at ₹12 lakh crore in FY21, but analysts expect the government to face some upside of ₹1-1.5 lakh crore during the March quarter when the strength in annual revenues becomes clearer.

Assuming an expenditure rationalization of ₹50,000 to ₹80,000 crore and additional spending due to various stimulus packages totalling ₹4.5 lakh crore, fiscal deficit is expected to be ₹15.5-15.8 lakh crore or 7.8-8 per cent of GDP during the financial year ending March.

Farm sector seeks tax incentive, more funds

Representatives met the Finance Minister for a pre-budget consultation and submiited their respective suggestions

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

FARMERS' organisations on Tuesday urged the Finance Ministry to increase urea prices for balanced use of fertilisers, reduce fuel taxes, include alcohol in the GST regime and extend the Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana outside Mega Food parks.

Representatives of these organisations, office bearers of National Cooperative Union of India, Punjab Agriculture University and International Food Policy Research Institute and companies engaged in the farm sector met Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman for a pre-Budget consultation. The meeting was also attended by stakeholders from the agro-processing industry.

Collaboration between Bangladesh and India

Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal said that India and Bangladesh need to work together in areas such as farm mechanization, food processing and fisheries, as well as double productivity from the current 4.5 tonnes per hectare.

"Incentivize balanced use of fertilisers; raise urea price and simultaneously decrease price of P&K fertilisers, so no added burden is imposed on the farmers or the government," Bharat Krishak Samaj (BKS) said in its representation.

BKS Chairman Ajay Vir Jakhar also sought reduction in taxes on diesel and transport subsidy on fruits and vegetables, but demanded tax on unhealthy foods. BKS also pitched for tripling investment for micro-irrigation and solar pumps for farmers and funding for distribution of soil moisture measuring sensors.

"Prioritise investment in human resources over infrastructure. There are about 50 per cent vacancies in agriculture research institutions across India. Target two per cent expenditure on agri R&D of agriculture GDP over the next few years," said BKS.

Meanwhile, the agri and food processing industries, who attended the hour-long meeting, sought tax exemption and extension of funds to food processing units, outside the mega food parks. "Low interest finance and other benefits of the SAMPADA scheme of the Ministry of Food Processing Industry should be made available outside the Mega Food parks. This will help in creating a level playing field for the food industry and help facilitate investments," pointed out Phiruz Khambatta, a member of the CII National Council on Food Processing. He further added that for the existing food processing projects, any additional capital investment more than 50 per cent of existing book value of plant and machinery should be treated as new investments and should also be eligible for a five-year tax holiday.

Financially stressed power firms seek subsidy scheme for gas-based power

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

WITH a large number of power generation companies facing significant financial stress as dues from discoms continue mounting, industry association Association of Power Producers (APP) has sought the reintroduction of an earlier subsidy scheme for gas-based power projects. The APP also sought a dedicated auction or allocation of natural gas for the power sector alone.

In a letter sent to Union power minister R K Singh last week, APP said, with "global gas prices again on the upswing, we recommend the reintroduction of a modified E-RLNG scheme for the overall benefit of the sector, which was the initial idea behind the introduction of the E-RLNG scheme". The scheme mentioned, E-RLNG, was an electronic gad auction system to improve the plant load factors of stressed gas-based power plants that first introduced in 2015. However, it was discontinued two years later since a haircut had to be taken by all the stakeholders to make imported gas competitive compared to other sources of fuel. The APP said that the scheme had worked to improve the PLFs of such plants, a metric that has subsequently crashed to around 22 per cent due to the limited supply of gas.

The new scheme could also have exemptions such as a 50 per cent reduction on pipeline tariff charges, a 75 per cent reduction on marketing margins, and a 50 per cent reduction on regasification charges. "It may be recalled that many pipeline operators were willing to provide 50 percent reduction in their tariff since most of the pipeline utilization were not more than 40 to 45 per cent," APP stated in the letter.

ASIANOMICS

SRI LANKA

FIGHTING DEBT CRISIS & SHRINKING ECONOMY

Amid growing concerns over repayment of its foreign debt, Sri Lanka announced that its GDP growth plunged to 16.3 per cent in Q3, recording the largest ever quarterly drop seen in the country's history. Official data released last week showed the economy contracting 5.3 per cent in the first nine months of the year ending September as against a modest 1.9 per cent growth during the same period a year ago. Last week, S&P downgraded the country's sovereign ratings to CCC from B citing the island nation's inability to service its foreign debt despite assurances from the government to honor its commitments. For the full year 2020, S&P expects Sri Lanka's economy to shrink by a record 5.3 per cent.

VIETNAM

GOODS MAY FACE MORE US TARIFFS

Days after the US Treasury branded Vietnam as a currency manipulator, reports indicated that the export-led nation may see further tariffs before President Donald Trump leaves office next month. However, it's unclear whether tariffs would reach the 6.2-10% duties the US had applied on Vietnamese tires in November under a new currency rule. Vietnam believes the proposed tariffs would erode confidence among companies to do business with US partners and reduce imports. US companies that import goods from Vietnam should brace for significant tariffs from the US, say market watchers. US firms imported about $65 billion worth of goods from Vietnam in the first 10 months of 2020, as against $66.6 billion in 2019. Tariffs could hit the $400 billion-plus sales US apparel and footwear sector, along with furniture, electronics and household goods.

PAKISTAN

SECURES $1.7 BILLION DEBT RELIEF DEAL

Following months of negotiations with 19 bilateral creditors including the Paris club, Pakistan has finally signed a $1.7 billion debt relief deal, according to officials. The deal includes a moratorium on debt payments, and is part of the relief package announced by the G20 and the Paris club earlier this year to waive most debt payments for the world's poorest countries in 2020. Separately, in June, Pakistan was named as one of the handful of countries to secure a moratorium on debt repayments from the Paris club. Meanwhile, concerns were being raised over the $50 billion funds that poured into Pakistan via Chinese-financed infrastructure projects as part of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor initiative.

Infosys, Wipro clinch billion-dollar deals from German firms

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

TWO of India's leading IT services firms — Infosys and Wipro — have clinched $1-billion multi-year IT transformation contracts. Infosys on Tuesday said it has signed a long-term partnership with German automotive major Daimler AG for a technology-driven IT infrastructure transformation, while Wipro announced a strategic digital and IT partnership deal with German wholesaler METRO AG.

For Infosys, the Daimler deal is the second billion-dollar contract that the IT major has won during the pandemic after an earlier $1.5-billion deal with a US investment firm Vanguard.

The IT industry has shown recovery after COVID disruptions in Q1, FY21 especially on account of a massive demand for digital services as companies underwent transformation to fight the crisis. Both Infosys and Wipro will help in upskilling the executives of the German firms. Infosys said that after the receipt of all regulatory approvals it will help Daimler AG transform its IT operating model and infrastructure landscape across workplace services, service desk, data center, networks and SAP basis. "We are excited about this partnership and the opportunity to support Daimler AG's automotive vision. As we embark on this journey, we will bring together capabilities, ecosystems and a hybrid cloud infrastructure that will shape new experiences for Daimler AG and the industry at large. Infosys has deep expertise in helping our clients across the globe navigate their digital journeys, and as part of this strategic partnership, we look forward to setting a new standard for the automotive industry," Salil Parekh, Chief Executive Officer of Infosys said in a statement.

Wipro's estimated deal value for the duration of the first five years is approximately $700 million. With the intention to extend up to four additional years, it can be a potential spend of up to $1 billion, Wipro said. As part of the deal, more than 1,300 employees across the IT units of the wholesaler from Germany, Romania and India will transfer to Wipro, the IT major added.

PRIVATISATION

Centre invites bids to sell stake in SCI

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

PAVING the way for yet another privatisation of a state-owned company, the government has invited Expressions of Interest (EoI) for the strategic sale of its 63.75 per cent stake in Shipping Corp of India (SCI). In a preliminary information memorandum (PIM) issued on Tuesday, the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM) said that the deadline for submitting bids would be February 13 and the investors can either choose to bid for it individually or as part of a consortium. Buyers can submit their queries to the transaction adviser by January 23, according to the memorandum.

It may be noted that non core assets of the company are being hived off and will not be a part of the sale. The bidder must have a net worth of ₹2,000 crore, and should have reported positive operating profit in at least three out of the last five financial years. Any public or private company, SEBI-registered Alternative Investment Fund, or a company or fund incorporated outside India, is eligible to bid for the company. The government has appointed RBSA Capital Advisors LLP as its transaction advisor to manage the disinvestment process.

SCI is the largest Indian shipping company with a fleet strength of 59 vessels at present and operates around one-third of the Indian tonnage, servicing both national and international trades. At the current market price, the government's stake sale in SCI is valued at about ₹2,500 crore.

India's crude production nosedives as Rajasthan oilfields see output contract

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC crude production contracted by nearly 5 per cent in the month of November after production in the Cairn Vedanta-owned Rajasthan oil fields fell sharply. According to data from the Ministry of Petroleum, crude oil production in November stood at 2.48 million tonnes compared to 2.61 million tonnes produced in the same month a year ago.

The data showed that the Rajasthan fields produced 9.6 per cent less crude oil during the month after a sharp reduction in output in the Mangala, Aishwarya, and other Cairn-operated fields. As for state-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC),, production was lower by 1.5 per cent, again due to lower-than-anticipated output in a few blocks. Oil India Ltd too saw production fall by 6.6 per cent due to a series of

protests affecting operations in Assam following the accident at Baghjan.

India's total oil production in the April-November 2020 period was 6 per cent lower at 20.42 million tonnes, with output from the Rajasthan field during this period dropping a sharp 16 per cent to 3.91 million tonnes. Natural gas production meanwhile fell 9 per cent to 2.3 billion cubic meters in November, with ONGC producing 3.7 per cent less after the Hazira processing plant was shut for maintenance.

Gas output during April-November was 18.7 bcm, down 11.8 per cent over the previous year, the data showed.

Global crude oil prices meanwhile have hit another ceiling, with the new strain of virus infections in the United Kingdom resulting in a sharp fall in future prices. S&P Global said in a report on Tuesday that the ICE Brent February futures contract began falling to under $50.75 per barrel, while the February NYMEX light sweet crude contract was down to $47.79 per barrel. On Monday alone, both benchmark commodities fell a sharp 2.58 per cent. The agency said that the "downward trajectory of the prices this morning can be attributed to the market's fear that the emergence of a mutant strain of the coronavirus in the UK could lead to tougher and longer lockdown."

TODAY'S STOCK PICK

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Target Price ₹2,611

PI INDUSTRIES

We believe PI Industries has levers in place to sustain growth momentum in the near term, led by (a) ramp-up in operations of two multi-purpose plants that have recently commenced, (b) revenue from the Isagro acquisition, (c) sustained growth momentum in the custom synthesis manufacturing (CSM) business, increasing pace of commercialization of new molecules and ramping up of sales of existing molecules, and (d) product launches in the domestic market. We expect revenue/EBITDA/PAT CAGR of 25%/31%/39% over FY20-23E.

—Motilal Oswal Financial Services

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ICICI Bank ups focus on MNCs, unveils new portal

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

ICICI Bank is looking at services beyond credit needs of overseas corporates with an eye on the fee income possibilities amid rising foreign direct investments (FDI) into the country. As such, the second largest private sector lender announced a dedicated offering for the segment — Infinite India — an online platform to help offer banking and non-banking services like facilitating incorporation and corporate filings to multinational companies seeking to enter India. Speaking to reporters, its executive director Vishakha Mulye said factors like aversion to China and a favourable demographics are leading many companies to look at investing in India, leading to an increase in FDIs. "Our strategy will be to do everything which is India and India-linked (with international clients)," she said.

The bank will also get access to the dealer and vendor ecosystem of the company through such a relationship, Mulye said, stressing it is not credit needs alone which it is targeting to serve.

The bank now serves about 1,500 MNCs out of an overall market of up to 5,000 companies. The new gambit of the bank is set to challenge the likes of Citibank, HSBC, Deutsche Bank, Bank of America, Standard Chartered, and JPMorgan for a share of the lucrative MNC business. The bank will also benefit from the challenges foreign banks face after RBI's recent restrictions on opening of current accounts.

NICHE SEGMENT

Google places big bets on short-video apps, invests in Tik Tok rivals

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

GOOGLE has placed its latest bet on short-video apps in India after the tech giant announced a $10 billion investment to digitise the small businesses and support start-ups earlier this year.

The internet behemoth also invested in a handful of Tik Tok rival companies including InMobi's Glance and Roposo as well as VerSe Innovation's Josh app at a time when the short-content platforms have already captured 67 per cent of Tik Tok's market in the country, according to a recent report by Redseer. Together, these short-content apps currently have a 250 million user base in India.

Google on Tuesday said it has led a $145 million funding round in InMobi's social media start-ups Glance which is a division of InMobi's mobile app marketing business Glance makes a lock-screen content platform. It recently acquired short-video platform Roposo with more than 33 million

active users spending 20 minutes daily in consuming content across multiple genres in more than 10 languages. The Roposo app has been downloaded more than 100 million times on the Google Play Store. Glance delivers AI-driven personalized content in multiple local languages on the lock screen of Android smartphones and has over 115 million daily active users.

Caesar Sengupta, VP, Google India said Glance is a great example of innovation solving for mobile-first and mobile-only consumption, serving content across many of India's local languages. "Too many Indians still have trouble finding content to read or services they can use confidently in their own language. And this significantly limits the value of the internet for them particularly at a time like this when the internet is the lifeline of so many people. This investment underlines our strong belief in working with India's innovative start-ups towards the shared goal of building an inclusive digital economy that will benefit everyone," he added.

The tech giant has also invested in VerSe Innovation Pvt, maker of India's Josh short-video app which according to recent estimates was the leader in the niche segment in India. Google along with Microsoft and Alpha Wave made a $100 million investment in Verse Innovation at a $1 billion valuation marking its entry in the unicorn club. VerSe plans to deploy the new fund in scaling up Josh, which has over 77 million monthly active users and and above 1.5 billion video plays per day.

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No. SEE(P)/ MESCOM /2020-21/11612 Date: 15.12.2020

TENDER NOTIFICATION (E-Procurement Portal Only)

MESCOM invites tender for Manufacture & Supply of following material:

Tender No	Name of the Material proposed for Procurement	Quantity
MESCOM/2020-21/IND738	No. 8 Guy Strain Insulators	1,40,000 Nos

The interested eligible bidders may log on to **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **24.12.2020.**

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele.)(Proc), MESCOM, Mangalore

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CORRIGENDUM No.-2

Corrigendum Publish Date: 18.12.2020, 18:29
Tender No.:ELCORE-OHE-EPC-09A-Mod-I (Open Tender)
Closing Date/Time: 12.01.2021, 15:00
Name of Work:EPC Tender: Request for Proposal For Electrification of Railway Lines in **Birur (Excl.)–Talguppa (Incl.), Chikbanavar (Excl.)–Hassan (Excl.), Chikmagalur (Incl.)–Kaddur (Incl.) and Hospet (Excl.)–Swamihalli (Incl.)** Sections of South Western Railway On Engineering, Procurement & Construction (EPC) Mode. **[Bid/Package No. EPC-09A-Mod-I].**
NIT Header: **Items Modified**

Field Name	Existing Value	Modified Value
Tender Closing Date Time	05.01.2021 15.00	12.01.2021 15.00
Bidding Start Date	22.12.2020	29.12.2020

The complete information of above Tender are seen on website **www.ireps.gov.in.**

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Sl.No.: T.P: Jaga/Tender/CR/05/2020-21 Date: 19.12.2020

e-Procurement Re Tender Notice

Tenders are Re invited in KW-4 and KG – 3 Forms in two cover system through e-procurement portal for work related to S.W.M. D.P.R. of Swatch Bharat Mission Yojane for the year 2019-20 of this office. Therefore interested contractors are requested to participate through e-procurement

Details of Work:- (1) **DMA/2020-21/OW/ WORK_INDENT 103824/CALL-4 CONSTRUCTION OF WINDROW PLATFORM TO SWM SITE. Approx. Amount (Rs.in lakhs):- 108.20** (2) **DMA/2020-21/INDENT 10654/CALL-3 Supply Erection and commissioning of 5 TPH 4mm, 35mm rotary screening machine with conveyor System Approx. Amount (Rs.in lakhs):- :- 64.80**

1) Last date for submission of applications for blank tender forms through e-procurement and submission of filled tender: 29.12.2020 within 5.00 PM. 2) Date of opening the Technical Bid: 31.12.2020 within 11.00 AM. 3) Date of opening the Financial Bid: 04.01.2021 at 11.00 AM. Place: at Town Panchayat Office, Jagalur, for e-procurement documents applications should be submitted in website https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in, tender forms should be obtained and filled up & no applications will be received in the office. 4) Town Panchayat reserves the Right to cancel and accept the tender. 5) Further information can be obtained from www.jagalurtown.gov.in and participate for the tender and obtain details through https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- (Raju D. Banakara, K.M.A.S. Grade-2) Chief Officer, Town Panchayath, Jagalur

Sd/- (R. Thippeswamy) President, Town Panchayath, Jagalur

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNION TERRITORY OF LAKSHADWEEP

(DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICITY)
KAVARATTI - 682 555

F. No. 66/06/01/2020-Ele Dated: 18.12.2020.

TENDER NOTICE

Department of Electricity, UT of Lakshadweep Administration, Kavaratti invites competitive E-Tender from the Original Licensed Manufacturers or their Authorized Distributors/Agents for the following work as detailed below.

Name of Work	Supply of Single-Phase AC Energy Meter to Lakshadweep Electricity Department. (LED)
Tender Fee/Cost of Tender Form	₹ 500/-
EMD	₹ 30,700/-
Bid Document available for downloading from	21.12.2020 12:00 PM
Bid Document available for downloading up to	13.01.2021 12:00 PM
Last date & Time for submission of Bid	14.01.2021 12:00 PM
Opening of Technical Bid	15.01.2021 10:00 AM
Opening of Financial Bid	Will be decided after finalization of Technical Bid.

Tender Document containing detailed terms & conditions and goods required can be downloaded from the website **www.lakshadweep.gov.in.** Bidders willing to participate in the tender shall visit the e-tender website **www.tendersutl.gov.in** for participation.

For any help/query, please contact representative of the department through email: **lk-ktelect@nic.in or Telephone No. 0489626-2363, 0489626-3544** and for help in processing of e-tender please contact E-tender helpdesk email: **eproc@nic.in Or Telephone No 0120 4200462.**

(P. V. Hassan)
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (ELE)

KARNATAKA RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Grameenabhivriddhi Bhavana, 4th & 5th Floor, Ananda Rao Circle, Bengaluru - 560 009.

No. KRIDL/WKS/STEEL/TENDER/2020-21 Date: 11.12.2020

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

The applications are invited for the supply of TMT Steel Bars as per IS 1786 FE 500 to KRIDL (KLAC) projects throughout Karnataka from the manufacturers/Primary Manufacturers with turnover of Rs. 80.00 Crores per annum in any 2 years of last 3 financial years. The firm shall have satisfactory completion of similar supplies of 8000 MT in the last three financial years to the Government Departments/Semi-Government Departments/ Public sector undertakings. Interested manufacturers can participate in the tender and they can view, download and apply only through the e-Governance Secretariat **website: www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in Contact:** 91+ 8046010000/ 8022631200

Particulars of Tender	Qty. in M.T. Rs. in Lakhs	Aprox. Amount Rs. in Lakhs	EMD Amount
Tender Part-I : Bengaluru, BBMP, Mysuru & Chitradurga Zone	2200	1020.80	15.00
Tender Part-II : Belagavi and Kalaburagi Zone	1300	603.20	9.05

Tender processing fee is of **Rs. 550/- (INR),** Period of Contract is 3 months from the date of supply order. Last date and time for uploading tender is up to **04.01.2021 at 16.00 hrs.** Date of Opening the Technical Bid is on **06.01.2021 at 16.00 hrs.** Date of opening the Financial Bid is on **07.01.2021 at 16.00 hrs.**

For further details please contact: Chief Engineer (BBMP), KRIDL, Bengaluru-09. Ph : 080-28015603
For information please log on to: www.kridl.org.in
Sd/- Chief Engineer (BBMP)

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SALE OF ASSET THROUGH E-AUCTION

I. M/s. BEE JAY PEE SACKS PVT. LTd., MYSORE (in liquidation)

The immovable property described herein is in the custody of KSFC & KSIIDC have been taken over under the provisions of SFC's Act 1951. Further, in pursuance of the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, Bengaluru in its order dated 04.04.2006 in CA No.844/2005 in COP No.60/2004, the asset is brought for sale in association with the Official Liquidator, High Court of Karnataka, Bengaluru is available for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS".**

Description of property: All that piece & parcel of Industrial property bearing Sy.40/1A and 40/1B, Madagaralli Village, Mysore-Nanjanagudu Main Road, Varuna Hobli, Mysore Taluk & District standing in the name of M/s BEE JAY PEE SACKS PVT. LTD., measuring 3 Acres & 29 Guntas of land alongwith building with RCC roof comprising administrative block measuring 369.24 sq.mtrs. and main factory block with ACC roofing 1740 sq.mtrs. and bounded on: North by Private property, South by Beeragowdana Hundi New Extension, East by Private property and West by Mysore-Nanjanagudu Main Road (NH-212)

Reserve Price: Rs.436.61 lakh EMD: Rs.44.00 lakh
Date of inspection : 08.01.2021 between 11.00 a.m. & 2.00 p.m.

II. M/s. COSMOS LEATHER EXPORTS LTD.,

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable property described herein is in the custody of KSFC that has been taken over under the provisions of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI) in exercise of the powers conferred U/s 13(4) read with Rule No.9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 Act and in pursuance of the order of High Court of Karnataka in case No. CA No.280/2016 DATED 22.08.2016 will be sold in association with Official Liquidator, High Court of Karnataka, Bengaluru through e-auction on **`AS IS WHERE IS BASIS'.**

Name of the Directors: 1) Sri. R.S. Khan, (2) Sri. R.P. Khan 3) Sri. S.B. Shetty

Name of the Secured Creditors: KSFC Dues Position as on 10.03.2020 : Rs.266.98 Crores.

Description of the property: Commercial flat / space bearing Flat No.1,2,3, third floor, Parvathi Plaza, Property No.105, Richmond Road (Richmond circle) Bengaluru- 560 025 standing in the name of M/s Cosmos Watch Industries (P) Ltd., measuring 9.38% of undivided portion of land out of 15508 sft i.e., 1455 sq.ft land and 2425 sqft super built up area and bounded on: North by portion of the same property sold to Sri A Jabbar, South by private property , East by portion of the same property sold to Sri A Jabbar and West by Road.

Reserve Price: Rs. 377.75 lakh EMD: Rs.37.80 lakh
Date of inspection : 12.01.2021 between 11.00 a.m. & 2.00 p.m.

E-auction commence on 23.01.2021 at 11.00 a.m. and close on 29.01.2021 at 11.00 a.m. The last date for submission of EMD is on 28.01.2021 at 4.00 p.m.

Terms & conditions: (1) The sale is through e-auction and as detailed in website https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in. The interested persons are advised to visit the aforesaid website. **(2)** This is also a 30 days statutory notice for sale of secured asset to the Directors/owners/LR's of the property as contemplated under rules 8(6) and 9(1) of the said act. **(3)** Further, they are also requested to mobilise more prospective buyers to participate in the sale proceedings to safeguard their interest. **(4)** For more details on participation of e-auction, please contact e-procurement helpdesk No.080-46010000/22631200. **(5)** All statutory dues and other dues /taxes payable to local authorities/ State ESCOMS/ developmental charges, if any, are to be ascertained before participation in the bid. **(6)** The Official Liquidator, High Court of Karnataka will have the right to share the sale proceeds among the secured creditors as per the claim registered. **For any dispute, the Official Liquidator decision is final.**

Date: 22.12.2020
Place: Bangalore

Sd/-
Authorised Officer & Asst.Gen.Manager (R)
Karnataka State Financial Corporation

Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports

State Youth Centre, Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru - 560 001.
Phone : 080-2221 5601, 2221 1246. Fax : 080-2221 5602.

Tender No.: DYES/SCSP-TSP/58/2020-21 Date : 19-12-2020

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through E-procurement Portal Only)

Subject : Procurement of Sports Training Equipments.

According to Karnataka Transparency in public procurement act 1999 and Rules 2000 the **Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports** is inviting Tender for procurement and installation of **Sports Training Equipments to Sports Hostels** in Karnataka under SCSP/TSP Scheme for the year 2020-21.

Particulars : Procurement of Sports Training Equipments. Tender Amount (in INR) : Rs. 17,50,000.00. EMD Amount (in INR) : Rs. 50,000.00.

The Tender should be submitted through **e-Procurement Portal** (**http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**). Vendors need to register in the e-Procurement Portal to submit their bids online. The tender document can be viewed free of cost from the e-Procurement Portal.

a) Last Date and Time for Submission of Tender Document through E-Procurement Portal : 08-01-2021 time 16.00 Hrs. b) Opening of Technical Bid : 09-01-2021 time 16.30 Hrs. c) Opening of Financial Bid : Will be intimated.

Additional information may be obtained during Office hours at the above mentioned Address.

Sd/- Deputy Director (Admin)
and Tender Inviting Authority
Dept. Youth Empowerment and Sports.

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KARNATAKA RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Grameenabhivriddhi Bhavana, 4th & 5th Floor, Ananda Rao Circle, Bengaluru - 560 009.

No. KRIDL/WKS/CMT/TND/2020-21 Date: 14.12.2020

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

The applications are invited for the supply of cement to KRIDL projects in Karnataka from the manufacturers with a turnover of **Rs.100.00 Crores** per annum in any 2 years of last 3 financial years. Interested manufacturers to participate in the tender can view, download and apply only through the e-Governance Secretariat **website: www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in Contact: 91+ 8046010000/8022631200**

Particulars of Tender	Qty. put to Tender in Bags	Aprox. Amount put to tender Rs. in Lakhs	EMD Amount Rs. in Lakhs
Tender Part-I : South Bengaluru, Mysuru, BBMP and Central Zone.	825000	2505.83	25.06
Tender Part-II : North Belgaum and Gulbarga Zone	675000	1840.57	18.41

Tender processing fee is of **Rs. 550/- (INR),** Period of Supply 3 months from the date of supply order. Last date and time for enquiry is: **13.01.2021 up to 16.00 Hrs.** Last date and time for receipt of tender: **13.01.2021 up to 16.00 Hrs.** Date of opening the Technical bid is on **16.01.2021 at 16.00 hrs.** Date of opening the Financial bid is on **18.01.2021 at 16.00 Hrs.**

For further details please contact: Chief Engineer (BBMP), KRIDL, Bengaluru-09.
Ph : 080-28015603
For information please log on to: www.kridl.org.in
Sd/- Chief Engineer (BBMP)

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ODISHA STATE SEEDS CORPORATION LIMITED

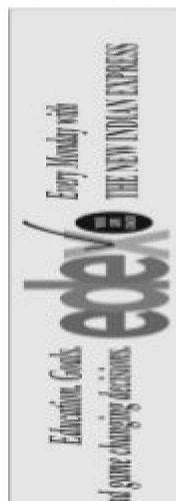
(A GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKING)
SANTARAPUR, BHUBANESWAR-751 002
E-Mail: mdossc ltd456@gmail.com.
Website: http/www.osscltd.in

No.Mktg.21 Date. 22.12.2020

TENDER CALL NOTICE FOR DISPOSAL OF NON SEEDS DURING 2020-21

CAD-953: Sealed tenders are invited in prescribed format only from intending tenderers for disposal of non seeds available at Bhubaneswar, Berhampur, Bhawanipatna, Bargarh, Balasore, Boudh , Cuttack and Jeypore Zones of OSSC Ltd, as per the details attached with the tender schedule. The tender papers and other details can be downloaded from the website of OSSC Ltd i.e. www.osscltd.in on any working day from 10.00 A.M to 5.30 P.M during the period from 24.12.2020 to 12.01.2021.

Sd/- Managing Director
OSSC Ltd OIPR 01045/11/0021/2021



GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE, ISRO PROPULSION COMPLEX CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE GROUP, MAHENDRAGIRI PO- 627133

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ई–निविदा सूचना। E-TENDER NOTICE

दिनांक / Dated. 21.12.2020

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, निम्नलिखित कार्यों हेतु ई-निविदा द्वारा मद-दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं।
On behalf of the President of India, item-rate tenders are invited through e-tendering for the following works:

क्रम सं Sl.No.	कार्य का नाम (01&02-सिविल/03- वातानुकूलन/ 04-यांत्रिक) NAME OF THE WORK (01&02-CIVIL/03-AIR CONDITIONING/04-MECHANICAL)	प्राक्कलित लागत Estimated Cost (लाखों में) ₹ (in Lakhs)	कार्य पूरा होने की अवधि Period of completion
1.	एनआईटी सं.आईपीआरसी/सीएमजी/टीएस / ई - 36 / एमए / सीपीएच-20/2020-21 NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-36/MA/CPH-20/2020-21		
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के विभिन्न भवनों / सुविधाओं में ऐलुमिनियम और लकड़ी के जुड़ाई के रखरखाव का कार्य, क्षतिग्रस्त/टूटे हुए कांच, फॉल्स सीलिंग, फर्श, शीट, हार्डवेयर साज-सामान, धूप नियंत्रण फिल्म आदि को बदलना। Maintenance works of Aluminium and wooden joineries, Replacement of damaged / broken glasses, false ceilings, floor, sheets, hardware fittings, sun control films etc. at various buildings / facilities in IPRC, Mahendragiri.	24.73	12 (बारह महीने / Twelve months)
2.	एनआईटी सं.आईपीआरसी/सीएमजी/टीएस / ई - 37 / एमआई / सीपीएच-21/2020-21 NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-37/MI/CPH-21/2020-21		
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के पीटीएस में यात्री लिफ्ट के दोनों ओर विद्यमान ए.सी. शीट परत को पोलीकार्बोनेट शीट (एफ.एफ.एल. से 25.80मी. तक) से बदलना एवं पीटीएस विक्षेपक गर्त के आसपास एम.एस गेट के साथ चेन लिंक फेन्सिंग प्रदान करना। Replacing the existing AC sheet cladding with Polycarbonate sheet (upto 25.80 m from FFL), by the sides of Passenger's Lift in PTS and Providing Chain Link Fencing with MS Gate nearby PTS Deflector Pit at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	6.84	04 (चार महीने / Four months)
3.	एनआईटी सं.आईपीआरसी / सीएमजी / टीएस / ई-38 / एमडब्ल्यू / एसी-02/2020 - 21 NIT no:IPRC / CMG / TS/e-38 / MW / AC-02 / 2020-21		
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के सेमी क्रायो रोधन प्रक्रमण सुविधा में वातानुकूलन प्रदान करना। Providing Air Conditioning to Semi Cryo Insulation processing facility at IPRC,Mahendragiri.	323.53	06 (छह महीने / Six months)
4.	एनआईटी सं.आईपीआरसी / सीएमजी / टीएस / ई- 39 / एमडब्ल्यू/एम -02/ 2020 - 21 NIT no:IPRC / CMG / TS / e-39 / MW / M-02/2020-21		
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के सेमी क्रायो रोधन प्रक्रमण सुविधा के लिए 10 टन क्षमता के द्वि गर्डर ज्वालासह ई.ओ.टी. क्रेन की आपूर्ति, उन्निर्माण, परीक्षण तथा कमीशन करना। Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of 10T capacity Double Girder flame proof EOT crane for Semi Cryo insulation processing facility at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	69.93	06 (छह महीने / Six months)

ऑन–लाइन निवेदन करने की तिथि। Dates for Online Request:	From: 23-12-2020 (10:00 बजे / hours)से To: 31-12-2020 (18:00 बजे / hours) तक।

नियत समय व ऑन–लान प्रस्तुतीकरण की तिथि।
Due Time & Date of Submission : 05-01-2021 (18:00 बजे / hours) तक।

अधिक जानकारी के लिए देखें: For further details visit: **www.isro.gov.in/tenders**
(or) www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO

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ग्रुप निदेशक, सीएमजी, आईपीआरसी / GROUP DIRECTOR, CMG, IPRC.

UNIVERSITY OF MYSORE

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SHORT -TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through e-procurement portal, Govt. of Karnataka)

Tender Notification No. UED/DB-1/e-Proc/IFT-22/2020-21, dt. 17.12.2020

(Website:https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in)

The Executive Engineer, University Engineering Division, **University of Mysore,** Mysore invites tender for the works in two cover system, tender procedure through e-procurement portal of Government of Karnataka as per Karnataka Transparency in Public procurement act 1999 and rules 2000, and as per Clauses/Conditions of Standard Tender Document KG-3 from eligible registered Firms/Suppliers. last date for Receipt of Tender on **04.01.2021.** Tender must be accompanied by earnest money deposit which will be paid online through e-procurement portal **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** as specified in the tender document and shall have to be valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the tender. Any further details can be had from the above office during working hours.

Sl. No.	Name of work	Estimate Amount (in lakhs)	EMD in Rs.	Period
1	Providing Kitchen Facility Equipments for the Proposed Central Kitchen in University of Mysore, Mysuru	150.00	2,25,000/-	03 months

NOTE: Detailed may be obtained from e-procurement portal, Govt. of Karnataka website **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Additional details may be obtained from this office or through Phone No. **0821-2419383 or Mobile No.9448788943.**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
University Engineering Division, Mysuru

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ARAKALGUD 08175-220780 **FEDAKL0GL** 0959461, 1117533, 1129218, 1137022, **BASAVESHWARA NAGAR** 8041900282 **FEDBSN0GL**0879175, 878906, 882171, 882922, 915656, 915658, 946668, 954107, 963108, 964222, 989179, 989186, 991229, 993787, 993248, 997190, 1091421, 1094819, 1100066, 1110658, 1114792, 1116301, 1117071, 1128127, 1130966, 1135591, 1147002,1203229,1220457,1246997, 1252179, 1257202, 0989190 1091421, **Belgaum** 0831-4201487 **FEDBEL0GL**1062321, 1143940 **BELUR** 8177222100 **FEDBLR0GL** 0873197, 0873986, 0876754, 0885726, 0886191, 0893307, 0903182, 0906339, 0908527, 0914075, 0927362, 0928492, 0943143, 0943995, 0949611, 0949874, 0955089, 0957075, 0957130, 0958194, 0958261, 0958919, 0961490, 0961518, 0962749, 964931, 0965945,0972685,0973634,0973707,0977116,0978132,0987843,0991700,0997971,0998375,0997994,1039454,1045979,108136,1087113,1088088,1101089 **BOMMANAHALLI** 8041500417 **FEDBMH0GL**0884507, 0921408, 0982269, 1064192, 1073411, 1077173, 108175, 1090089, 1102209, 1117799, 1119872, 1135731, 1142431, 1150516, 1182936, 1184427, 1193583, 1201961, 1218378, 1242024, **BTM LAYOUT** 080-41312231 **FEDBTM0GL**0889268, 0897637, 0902678, 0944027,0967991, 0972631, 0986262, 0992519,1042349,1047597, 1098696, 1147769, 1147795, 1147835, **Byadgi** 8375229022 **FEDBYA0GL**0920598, 0954697, 0957611, 0987117, 0988660, 0994148, 0995552, 0997807, **Caltex Circle** 8162277972 **FEDCAL0GL**1085526, 1231836 **Car Street Bellary** 8392276005 **FEDCAR0GL**1018045,1074743,1123643,1124091,1162425,1018045 **CHANNAPATNA** 8027256046 **FEDCHA0GL** 0883877, 0898149, 0900588, 0937945, 0940676, 0962226, 1041604, 1073896, 1073551, 1078710, 1104282, 1108427, 1111777, 1124249, 1132073, 1136265,1161691, 1168471, 1197894, 1207509, 1235591, 1236845, 1254250, **CHENRAYAPATNA** 8176252477 **FEDCYP0GL** 0878404, 0904035, 0906054, 0933521, 0959285, 0967355, 0973370, 0973982, 0977878, 0986669, 0991067, 0993611, 1055771, 1064614, 1073357, 1078724, 1099330, 1114435, 1134977, 1154821, 1163698, 1187213, 1224000,1247854 ,0900569, **CHIKKAMAGALUR** 8262228286 **FEDCKM0GL**0903116, 0904256, 0920353, 0988675, 0995361, 1023885, 1068147, 1169238, **Davangere** 0819-2252111 **FEDDAV0GL**0871015, 0874657, 0875976, 0879882, 0883744, 0887356, 0888790, 0890666, 0931202, 0937596, 0942270, 0945792, 0964850, 0972230, 0973266, 0976787, 0978206, 0981076, 0989607, 0990707, 0991419, 0993214, 0995542, 0997397, 1004728, 1057088, 1060937, 1064750, 1069697, 1071523, 1091061, 1109285, 1115493,1131611, 1132465, 1136248, 1158732, 1186977, 1197965, 1222427, 1224557, 1228850, 1228823, 1233943,1241716, 1247088, 1261656, **Dharwad** 0836-2970229 **FEDdha0GL** 0870940, 0881972, 0886075, 0886656, 0903616, 0964126, 0966358, 0973724, 0981678, 0996800, 0998007, 1064836, 1109724, 1134578, 1180646, 1201827, **Gangavathi** 8533234018 **FEDGNG0GL**1058161, 1172747, 1227699, 1227809, **Gubbi** 8131222850 **FEDGUB0GL**0974467, 1026379, 1034588, 1079548, 1096529, 1102572, 1103099, 1120883, 1150733, 1163659, 1178548, 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Place :Bangalore

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FIFA lodges criminal complaint against Blatter

FIFA on Tuesday announced it had filed a criminal complaint against former president Sepp Blatter over the finances of its loss-making museum in Zurich. In a statement FIFA said it had "lodged a criminal complaint with Zurich's cantonal prosecutor as evidence of suspected criminal mismanagement by FIFA's former management and companies appointed by them."

Courage and combination will be important as India look for a series-equalling win at MCG. Focus will be on the captain as well. Things that will be discussed often before Boxing Day...

COMBOS & CONCERNS

41.42

Rahane's average in Australia in 9 Tests.

CAPTAIN'S RUN CONCERN

After developing a reputation of playing well overseas, Ajinkya Rahane has scores of 30, 34, 1, 18, 46, 29, 7, 9, 42, 0 (216 runs at 21.6) in his last 10 innings in SENA countries. Set to lead the team in the last three Tests, the Mumbai batsman has to summon the form that established him as a Test batsman six years ago. Having shown a tendency to attack early on of late, may be he has to play safe for a while before going for shots. This could be a make or break opportunity for him.

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Tests Jadeja has played in Australia.

FIVE BOWLERS? FINGERS CROSSED

Ravindra Jadeja is also in the mix. If India decide to up the ante and field an extra bowler to compensate for the absence of Mohammed Shami, Jadeja may get into the XI as Kohli's replacement. It will be him, Rishabh Pant and Ravichandran Ashwin at No 6, 7, 8 (not necessarily in that order), followed by three fast bowlers. But five specialist batsmen appears unlikely at the moment, especially after 36 all out. However, purely as a plan, this may not be that bad.

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Tests Jadeja and Ashwin played together outside India.

DOUBLE SPIN OPTION

There's another way that Jadeja can make the XI. If conditions at MCG are on the drier side and the pitch is slow as it was a couple of times in the last few years, India may go in with two spinners. In fact, they would like to do that if conditions permit because none of the back-up fast bowlers — Mohammed Siraj, Navdeep Saini or T Natarajan — have Test experience. After six batsmen and the wicketkeeper, Jadeja as fourth bowler adds some batting value also. But this will depend completely on the pitch.

RAHUL YES BUT WHERE?

If India choose to replace Virat Kohli with a batsman, KL Rahul walks into the XI, most probably in the middle-order. Given that Prithvi Shaw and Shubman Gill opened in the practice games where Rahul didn't even feature in the XI, it seems unlikely that the Karnataka player will be asked to face the new ball. That job will be done by either Shaw or Gill with Mayank Agarwal. If Ajnkya Rahane moves up to No 4, Rahul will be No 5 or 6. If Hanuma Vihari is promoted to No 4, Rahul will have to settle for No 6. In 36 Tests, he has opened in 33.

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Innings Rahul went without a fifty before being dropped.

KL Rahul's last Test was against West Indies in August 2019

Chance for others in I-League

ASHIM SUNAM @ Bengaluru

WHEN the I-League kicks off in Kolkata on January 9, things are going be different from the usual due to the pandemic. Matches will be played in a bio-secure environment. The tournament will follow a new format. Notably, for the first time I-League will not feature Mohun Bagan and East Bengal, who have moved into the Indian Super League framework.

It would not be wrong to state that the departure of the Kolkata duo is a loss for I-League. Eight titles between them, they were the heart and soul of the tournament with their massive support base. However, teams are not looking at their absence in a negative manner. For them, it is a chance to win the title. Real Kashmir is one of them.

David Robertson, Real Kashmir coach

"There is no East Bengal and Mohun Bagan this time, and obviously I am not saying it will be easier for teams, but the giants are no longer there. The league will have new favourites. Obviously, we would be looking to push for the title come the end of the season," said Real Kashmir coach David Robertson.

There is a spring in the step of Real Kashmir players and staff. They have won the IFA Shield — which served as a preparatory tournament in Kolkata — with minimum preparation. They had practised as a full unit for just two to three days. They won all matches in the league stage and defeated Mohammedan Sporting and George Telegraph in the semi-final and final. But Robertson understands the need to improve in certain areas to win a league to be played over a period time.

Asian Olympic wrestling qualifier out of China

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

INDIAN wrestlers hoping to qualify for the Tokyo Games via Asian qualifier don't have to travel to China with the event shifted to Almaty, Kazakhstan. The United World Wrestling on Tuesday released an updated 2021 calendar. As per the calendar, it will now be held from April 9-11 in Almaty instead of March 26-28 in Xian, China. A total of four Indian wrestlers have qualified for the Games so far, winning medals at the 2019 World Championships.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

All four IGU office-bearers to be elected unopposed

ATREYO MUKHOPADHYAY @ Chennai

THERE will be no contests for the posts of office-bearers of Indian Golf Union (IGU) at the elections on December 27. Following the withdrawal of two candidates for secretary and treasurer, there is just one candidate each for these posts. There was not going to be any contest for president and vice-president anyway, since there was just one nomination for each.

Polling, however, will take place to elect the Governing Council members. For nine of these positions, 13 nominations were received. After scrutiny, all 13 were declared valid by court-appointed returning officer Justice (retd) RK Gauba. Polling will be done online.

After nominations were filed, Lt Gen D Anbu and Brijinder Singh were the lone contestants for president and vice-president, respectively. Lt Gen Asit Mistry and Amit Luthra were the candidates for secretary.

CANDIDATES

President: Lt Gen D Anbu. **Vice-president:** Brijinder Singh. **Secretary:** Lt Gen Asit Mistry. **Treasurer:** Ishwar Achanta.

Ishwar Achanta and Shyam Sunder were the candidates for treasurer. Dec 19-21 were the dates for withdrawal of nominations. Luthra and Sunder withdrew, paving way for Mistry and Achanta to be elected unopposed.

It seems Luthra and Sunder realised after filing nominations that they don't have numbers. There are 27 voting units, two votes from each. While the side led by Anbu had candidates for all four posts of office-bearers, the other side could field candidates for two. This indicated which way the wind was blowing.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

EXPRESS READ

Women's A division from December 26

BENGALURU: The newly formed women's A division league will kickstart football season in the city from December 26 at the Bangalore Football Stadium. Nine teams are set to feature in the competition, which has been split into three groups. The final phase will also be played between January 2-6 in league format. Also, the BDFA Super Division will start from January 11.

Odisha end losing run with 2-2 draw vs NE

BAMBOLIM: Odisha FC and NorthEast United played out a 2-2 draw in an ISL match at the GMC Stadium here. Odisha took the lead through Diego Mauricio before Benjamin Lambot drew parity. Kwesi Appiah (65') then put the Highlanders ahead but by Cole Alexander (67') drew level.

Rijiju inaugurates 8 Khelo India Centres

NEW DELHI: Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju on Tuesday inaugurated eight Khelo India State Centres of Excellence across the country. The eight centres will be based at Manipur, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Kerala, Telangana, Nagaland, Karnataka and Odisha.

Abhinav stars in Cambridge win

BENGALURU: Cambridge Cricket Club beat Dooravani Cricketers (1) by 67 runs in the KSCA T20 tournament. Abhinav Manohar scored 79 from 41 balls, which included three fours and seven sixes. Devdutt Padikkal also contributed with 42 runs. Cambridge managed to score 187/6 from their 20 overs while Dooravani, in reply, were 120/8. In one of the other contests, Praveen Dubey scalped four wickets for Vultures Cricket Club, who defeated Jawans Cricket Club by eight wickets.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Undersigned counsel for the petitioner herewith filed a case on behalf of the petitioner **VIDYA**, V/s respondent the Commissioner, Register of Birth and Deaths, BBMP, Bangalore at ACMM, Bangalore, C.Misc regarding the death of deceased name as **SUNIL .G S/o GOPAL expired on 01-04-2013 intestate at Near govt. school, Devarabisanahalli, Bangalore-560103,** Interested parties are hereby call to appear in this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on **24/12/2020 at about 11:00 AM** inform the show cause against the petitioner, failing where in the appearance will be heard and declare as Ex-party, any person interested to file their objection in this matter within 7 days before the court as above on before.

B. MANJUNATHA, Advocate
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1. **NATURE** : Sealed tenders are invited in the prescribed form. 2. **ADDRESS** : PURCHASE MANAGER, Materials Department, 3rd Floor, Urban Administrative Building,No.75,Santhome High Road,M.R.C.Nagar, Raja Annamalai Puram,Chennai-28. Telephone No: 044 2845 1300 ,E-Mail: pmcmwssb@gmail.com Tender schedule can be downloaded from website : www.chennaimetrowater.tn.gov.in & www.tenders.tn.gov.in
3. **DETAILS OF TENDER :**

Sl. No	Tender No. and date	Description	Availability of Tender Schedule	Due date & time for receipt of tender	Due Date & Time of opening of Tender
1.	NMT/ CP/035/ 2020	supply and delivery of various sizes of class k-7 ductile iron pipes conforming to IS 8329/2000 to its latest revision including rubber gasket (EPDM) conforming to IS 5382/1985 to its latest revision for O&M works on ARC basis for the period 2021-22, EMD amount Rs.3,47,800/-	24.12.2020 to 07.01.2021 upto 3.00 PM.	08.01.2021 upto 3.00 P.M.	08.01.2021 at 3.30 P.M.
2	NMT/ CP/036/ 2020	Supply and delivery of High Pressure Sewer Jet Rodding Hose (Sewer Cleaning Hose) on Annual Rate Contract basis for the year 2021-2022., EMD amount Rs.1,25,800/-	24.12.2020 to 07.01.2021 upto 3.00 PM.	08.01.2021 upto 3.00 P.M.	08.01.2021 at 3.30 P.M.
3	NMT/ CP/037/ 2020	Providing GSM Services (Global System for Mobile communication) to the Officers & Staff of CMWSSB for a period of two years (2021-2023) under CUG Scheme,EMD amount Rs. 15,500/-	24.12.2020 to 07.01.2021 upto 3.00 PM.	08.01.2021 upto 3.00 P.M.	08.01.2021 at 3.30 P.M.
4	NMT/ CP/038/ 2020	Supply & Delivery of Desilting machine (4 wheeler) Mounted on BS-VI Chasis for maintenance of sewerage system, EMD amount Rs.37,100/-	24.12.2020 to 30.12.2020 upto 3.00 PM.	31.12.2020 upto 3.00 P.M.	31.12.2020 at 3.30 P.M.

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Name, Addresses of the Borrowers, Guarantors of loan code No. 00033922

1. **Infrany Ventures** : No. 2, Patel Complex, Opp. Daadys Southbourg Gate, Kammasandra Village, Electronic City Post, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560 100. **(Borrower / Mortgagor)**
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3. **Mrs. Jeena Maria Sebastian** : A-204, Daaliya, Daadys Southbourg, Opp. Biocon, Anekal, Kammasandra, Bangalore, Karnataka-560100. **(Guarantor)**
4. **Smt. Manjula** : No. 270, Venkateshwara Nilayar, 4th Cross, 4th Main, Begur Road, Near Ganpati Temple, Begur – 560068. **(Consenting Party / Mortgagor)**
5. **Sri. Balappa** : Hebbagodi Village, Near Biocon, Hosur, Main Road, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560100. **(Consenting Party / Mortgagor)**
6. **Sri. Anandan** : No.145, Aradhana Apartment, "B" Block, Flat No. 204, 1st, Main Road, Charmaraj Pet, Near Sirsi Circle, Bangalore-560036. **(Consenting Party / Mortgagor)**
7. **C. Sampath** : Chinaswamy Naidu Building, Hebbagodi, Karmmaodia Cross, Hosur Road, Electronic City, Bangalore, Karnataka -560100.
8. **Sri. K. Srinivasaa Reddy** : M 308, New ASTC, HUDCO, Hosur, T K Krishnagiri Dist – 635109. **(Consenting Party / Mortgagor)**

For Loan Account Code No. 00033922 of Bangalore Branch to repay the amount outstanding, as mentioned in the notice, of Rs.10,77,49,550 (Rupees Ten Crore Seventy Seven Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Only) outstanding and payable as on 12/03/2020, with further interest, non-compliance charges, incidental expenses, costs and any other charges etc. from 13/03/2020 till the date of repayment of liability in full, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the abovementioned demand notice.
The Borrower, Guarantors and Mortgagors/Consenting parties having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers, Guarantor, Mortgagors/ Consenting parties and public in general that the undersigned has taken **Possession of the properties** described in Schedule I and II written hereunder on this date 21/12/2020 and 22/12/2020 respectively in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 and 9 of the said rules.
The Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagors/Consenting parties in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties described in schedule I and II written hereunder and any dealings with the said properties will be subject to the charge of DHFL, for an amount of Rs.10,77,49,550/- (Rupees Ten Crore Seventy Seven Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Only) outstanding and payable as on 12/03/2020, with further interest, non-compliance charges, incidental expenses, costs and any other charges etc. from 13/03/2020 till the date of repayment of the entire liability of the Loan Account Code No. 00033922 of Bangalore Branch.
The Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured asset.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

1. Exclusive charge by way of mortgage of the piece & parcel of property bearing Sy. No. 16/2, 16/7, 16/8 and 16/9 admeasuring 1 Acres 34 Guntas situated at Thirupalya Village, Jigani Hobali, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District containing the project **"Infrany Trinity"**, together with 48 Unsold Flats/Units more particularly described in section 13 (2) Notice dated 18/03/2020 along with present and future constructions thereon excluding a) the landowner's share of saleable area along with proportionate undivided share of land & b) the sold and registered units along with proportionate undivided share of land.
2. Exclusive charge by way of mortgage of the piece & parcel of property bearing Sy. No. 56 admeasuring 1 Acre 5 ½ Guntas out of 1 Acre 11 Guntas situated at Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District containing the project **"Infrany Petals"** together with 13 Unsold Flats/Units more particularly described in section 13 (2) Notice dated 18/03/2020 along with present and future constructions thereon excluding the sold and registered units along with proportionate undivided share of land.
(Flats/Units constructed in **"Infrany Trinity"** and **"Infrany Petals"** for which DHFL has issued NOCs for sale/lease, may be excluded from the list mentioned hereinabove, on production of copies of the NOCs of DHFL along with proofs in respect of payment made to DHFL and compliances of all other terms and conditions stipulated therein)

Please Note that under sub-section (13) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act the Borrowers, Guarantors and Mortgagors are barred from transferring and/or dealing with any of the Secured Asset(s) described above by way of sale, lease or otherwise, without obtaining prior written consent of DHFL and non-compliance of the said provisions of the SARFAESI Act is an offence punishable under Section 29 of the SARFAESI Act.
As per Rule 3 (5) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 we hereby draw your attention to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the SARFAESI Act under which the Borrower has right to redeem the "Secured Assets" by tendering the amount of dues of the secured creditor at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.
This notice is issued without prejudice to DHFL's rights and remedies available to it under all other Acts and the same shall not be construed as waiver of any of them. DHFL also reserves its right to raise further demands for the sums found due and payable by the Borrowers, Guarantors and Mortgagors to DHFL.
All correspondence pertaining to this notice must be addressed to The Authorised Officer, Project Finance Division, HDIL Tower, Anant Kanekar Marg, Station Road, Bandra (East) Mumbai 400051.

Dewan Housing Finance Corporation Ltd.
Place : Bangalore **Sd/-**
Date : 23.12.2020 **Authorised Officer**

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY
e-Tender Notice

Tender No : 22/2019-20/KWA/PHC/D4/TVM(RT5). AMRUT - TSS - Supplying and erection of pump set, transformer and Electrical accessories in the Block L Edathara pumping station. EMD : Rs. 100000. Tender fee : Rs. 7500. Last Date for submitting Tender : **27-01-2021 03:00:pm**. Phone : 04712322303. Website : **www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in.**

KWA-JB-GL-6-674-2020-21
Superintending Engineer
PH Circle, Thiruvananthapuram

Public Works, Ports & Inland Water Transport Department
Office of the Executive Engineer, No.1 Buildings Division, S.J.P. Campus, Bangalore, Ph: 080-22255210, Fax: 080-22250755
E-mail: eebld1@kpwd.gov.in, eebld1@yahoo.com

IFT No: EE/Bld1/AE-1/55/2020-21 **Date: 18-12-2020**

INVITATION FOR SHORT FOR TENDER (IFT)

1) The Executive Engineer, No.1, Buildings Division, Bangalore invites tenders from eligible tenderers, for the construction of works detailed in the Table below. The tenderers have to submit the tender for the work given in the Table through e-Procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka (viz **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**). **The Tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 3 of the Instructions to Tenderers to qualify for award of the contract. (Standard Tender Document KW1). 2)** Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-Procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka from **18-12-2020 to 28-12-2020. 3)** Tenders must be accompanied by earnest money deposit specified for the work in the Table below. Earnest money deposit will have to be in any one of the forms as specified in the Tender document and shall have to be valid for **45 days beyond** the validity of the tender. **4)** Tenders must be submitted online through e-Procurement portal **on or before 16.00 hours on 28-12-2020** and the opening of tenders will be as per the e-Procurement portal guidelines. **5)** Other details can be seen in the tender documents.

Name of work	Approximate Value of work (Rs.in Lakhs)	Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.)
Improvements to the Chamber of Political Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister at Room No. 444-445 Fourth Floor, Vikasa Soudha, Bangalore. **KPWD/2020-21/BD/ WORK_INDENT129885**	9.70	24.250

Cost of document (in Rs.): **As per e-Portal**
Period of completion: **1 Month,** No. of Call: **1st Call**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
DIPR/DDU/Adverto/2130/2020-21 **No.1, Buildings Division, Bangalore.**

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AUCTION SALE (Under SARFAESI Act, 2002)

Auction Sale of Immovable Property Mortgaged to the bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (SARFAESI Act) read with rules 5,6,7,8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement Rules, 2002)
Whereas the Authorized Officer of the Bank has issued a demand notice under Section 13(2) of Securitisation Act, 2002 and thereafter in exercise of powers under section 13(12) of SARFAESI Act has taken possession of Properties mortgaged to Citibank NA under Section 13(4) and 14(1) of the undersigned in the capacity of Authorised Officer has decided for sale of the property by public auction on **22.01.2021** at the place and time mentioned below

DETAILS OF SALE

Sl No.	Name of borrower, Loan A/c. No. Description Of The Property & Upset price	Secured Debt & EMD amount	PLACE AND TIME OF AUCTION
1.	**Mr. Ramesh L, Loan A/C No. 328486** All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Site No. 01, formed out of residentially converted Sy. No. 185/2B2, (Vide conversion order No. BDIS.ALN.SR (N)73/ 89-90, dated 22-07-1993) Situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Old CMC Khata No. 685/1, Assessment No. 688/1162, present BBMP Katha No. 1967/688/1162, Now within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore measuring East to West 60 feet, and North to South 40 feet, totally measuring 2400 Sq. feet, and bounded on the : East by : Private property,West by : 30 feet Road,North by :Private property, South by :Site No. 2. **UPSET PRICE – Rs.1,60,00,000/-**	**Rs. 2,24,67,497- as on 31.12.2020** **EMD Rs.16,00,000/-** **Property Inspection date : 06.01.2021 from 10. AM to 2 PM**	**Citibank N.A.** First Floor, Ranga Towers, No.5, M.G. Road, Bangalore **22.01.2021 at 11.00 A.M.**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AUCTION

1. The property is sold on **'AS IS WHERE IS & AS IS WHAT IS CONDTION'**.
2. The Bidder is obliged to exercise full due diligence in all respects, including to inspect each of the details of the property(ies) mentioned above on the scheduled dates & times.
3. Submission of bids to Citibank N.A. would be construed a deemed acceptance by the bidder that (i) he/she/it has exercised due diligence in all respects; (ii) is satisfied with all details/measurements of property(ies); (iii) acknowledges full knowledge of terms and conditions that govern the auction and (iv) waives all his/her/its rights to make any contrary claims against bank at any future date.
4. The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank, if the borrower/guarantor pays the bank in full before sale, no sale will be conducted.
5. The Bidder shall remit Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) by Banker's Cheque / DD drawn in favour of **Citibank N A** for the respective loan A/c along with the bid form in a Sealed Cover addressed to The Authorised Officer, **Citibank N A. upto 6.00 p.m. on or before 21.01.2021 at No. 5, First Floor, Ranga Towers, M.G. Road, Bangalore.** Please note that, in reference to successful bidder(s), EMD is adjustable against the sale consideration receivable by Citibank N.A. Also, EMD is refundable to the unsuccessful bidder(s).
6. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the bid amount immediately on the sale being knocked down in his/her/its favour and the balance within 15 days by Banker's Cheque / DD drawn in favour of Citibank N.A. for the respective Loan A/c Number.
7. In case the successful bidder fails to deposit 25% of the bid amount immediately on sale being knocked down in his/her/its favour and/or the balance amount within 15 days, it shall be construed as breach of auction terms and the deposit made by the bidder shall be forfeited without any notice and the sale will stand automatically cancelled without further notice.
8. The charges / fees payable for conveyance such as stamp duty, registration fee, maintenance charges electricity charges etc shall be borne by the successful bidder. The Authorized Officer will not be held responsible for any charge, lien, property tax or any other dues to the Government or local body or any other authority in respect of the property under sale.
9. The Authorised Officer has the absolute right to accept or reject the bid or adjourn / postpone/cancel the sale/modify any terms and conditions of the sale without any prior notice or assigning any reason therefor.
10. The Sale will only be in favour of successful bidder and not his/her nominee. For inspection of properties and other details, intending buyers may contact **Sathivel Aruchamy - 9986625348, Sudharsan S - 9962200003**
11. This Notice is also to the Borrower(s) Guarantor(s) in particular and the public in general.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 21.12.2020
Authorised Officer
Citibank N.A.

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THE SECRET OF GETTING AHEAD IS GETTING STARTED › MARK TWAIN

People who fail to get a Covid-19 vaccination could be banned from using public transport in France, according to a draft law sparking angry protests from opposition politicians on Tuesday.

New high in quantum teleportation study

NASA scientists achieve sustained, long distance transfer of quantum units for first time, which could revolutionise computing

RESEARCH

LONDON: Scientists have demonstrated long-distance 'quantum teleportation'—the instant transfer of units of quantum information known as qubits—for the first time.

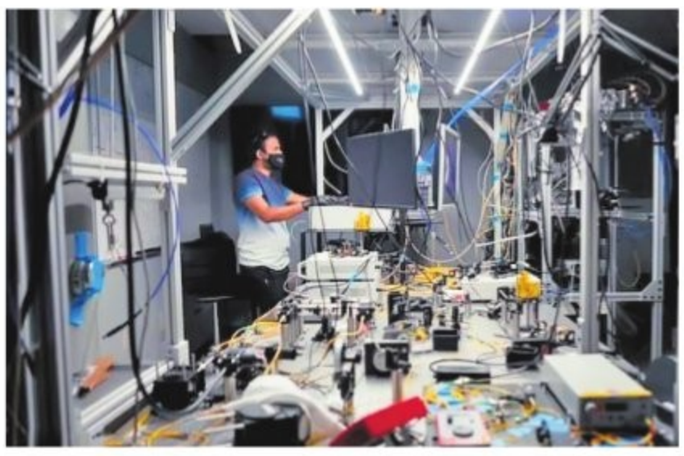
The qubits were transferred faster than the speed of light over a distance of 27 miles, laying the foundations for a quantum internet service, which could one day revolutionise computing.

Quantum communication systems are faster and more secure than regular networks because they use photons rather than computer code, which can be hacked. But their development relies on cutting-edge scientific theory which transforms our understanding of how computers work.

In a quantum internet, information stored in qubits (the quantum equivalent of computer bits) is shuttled, or 'teleported', over long distances through entanglement. Entanglement is a phenomenon whereby two particles are linked in such a way that information shared with one is shared with the other at exactly the same time.

This means that the quantum state of each particle is dependent on the state of the other — even when they are separated by a large distance. Quantum teleportation, therefore, is the transfer of quantum states from one location to the other.

However, it is highly sensitive to environmental interference that can easily disrupt the quality or 'fidelity' of teleportation, so proving the theory in practice has been technologically challenging.



A scientist calibrating one of the quantum teleportation nodes | NASA

In their latest experiment, researchers from Caltech, NASA, and Fermilab (Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory) built a unique system between two labs separated by 27 miles. The system comprises three nodes which interact with one another to trigger a sequence of qubits, which pass a signal from one place to the other instantly.

The 'teleportation' is instant, occurring faster than the speed of light, and the researchers reported a fidelity of more than 90 percent, according to the new study, published in PRX Quantum. Fidelity is used to measure how close the resulting qubit signal is to the original message that was sent. "This high fidelity is important especially in the case of quantum networks designed to connect advanced quantum devices, including quantum sensors," explains Professor Maria Spiropulu from Caltech.

The findings of the project are crucial to hopes of a future quantum internet as well as pushing the boundaries of what scientists known about the quantum realm. Although the technology is yet to reach the point of being rolled out beyond sophisticated tests such as this, there are already plans for how policy makers will employ the technology.

For example, the US Department of Energy hopes to erect a quantum network between its laboratories across the states. The power of a quantum computer running on quantum internet will likely exceed the speeds of the world's current most sophisticated supercomputers by around 100 trillion times. "People on social media are asking if they should sign up for a quantum internet provider," professor Spiropulu said.

EXFILE • HEALTH

DECLUTTERING THE JAB

A compliation of common questions and answers related to the Covid vaccine issued by the Indian government...

Students attend a vaccine training programme in Hyderabad | AFP

Is a Covid vaccine scheduled any time soon?
Yes, trials are under different stages of finalisation. Indian government is set to launch a vaccine soon

Will vaccine be given to everyone simultaneously?
Based on the potential availability of vaccines, the government has selected the priority groups who will be vaccinated on priority as they are at higher risk. The first group includes healthcare and frontline workers. The second group will be persons over 50 years of age and persons under 50 years with comorbid conditions.

Will their family members also be given the vaccine?
Due to the limited supply in the initial phase, it will first be provided to people who are at higher risk of contracting virus

Is it mandatory to take the vaccine?
It is voluntary. However, it is advisable to receive the complete schedule of vaccine for protection

Will it be safe?
Vaccine will be introduced in the country only after the regulatory bodies clear it based on its safety and efficacy

Can an infected person be vaccinated?
They may increase the risk of spreading the same to others at vaccination site. For this reason, they should defer vaccination for 14 days after symptoms resolution

Is it necessary for a recovered person to take it?
Yes, it will help in developing a strong immune response against the disease

Will the vaccine introduced in India be as effective as the ones used in other countries?
Yes, various phases of trials are undertaken to ensure its safety and efficacy

Can a person get the vaccine without registration with health department?
No, registration of information is mandatory. Only after that, the information to visit and time will be shared with beneficiary

How will the beneficiary receive information about due date of vaccination?
Following online registration, beneficiary will receive SMS on their registered mobile number. A QR code based certificate will also be sent to the number

If one is taking medicines for illnesses like cancer, diabetes can he/she take the vaccine?
Yes, persons with one or more of these comorbid conditions are considered high risk category

What are the possible side-effects?
The common side effects in some individuals could be mild fever, pain, etc at the site of injection

How many doses would have to be taken and at what interval?
Two doses of vaccine, 28 days apart, need to be taken

When would antibodies develop?
Protective levels are generally developed two weeks after receiving the second dose

WHAT DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED FOR REGISTRATION?

Any of the ID card with photo should be produced:

- Driving license
- Health Insurance smart card
- MGNREGA job card
- Official identity cards issued to MPs/MLAs/MLCs
- PAN card
- Passbooks issued by bank/post office
- Passport
- Pension document
- Service identity card issued to employees by central/state govt/ public limited companies
- Voter ID

Can tweak vaccine in six weeks: BioNTech

HEALTH

BERLIN: The co-founder of German pharmaceutical company said Tuesday it was "highly likely" that its vaccine against the coronavirus works against the mutated strain detected in Britain, but it could also adapt the vaccine if necessary in six weeks.

"Scientifically, it is highly likely that the immune response by this vaccine also can deal with the new virus variant," said Ugur Sahin.

But if needed, "in principle the beauty of the messenger technology is that we can directly start to engineer a vaccine which completely mimics this new mutation — we could be able to provide a new vaccine technically within six weeks." Sahin said the variant detected in Britain has nine mutations, rather than just one as is usually common. Nevertheless, he voiced confidence that the vaccine developed with Pfizer would be efficient because it "contains more than 1,000 amino acids, and only nine of them have changed, so that means 99 percent of the protein is still the same".

He said tests are being run on the variant, with results expected in two weeks. "We have scientific confidence that the vaccine might protect but we will only know it if the experiment is done... we will publish the data as soon as possible," he added.

BioNTech's vaccine, which was developed together with US pharmaceutical company Pfizer, has been authorised for use in more than 45 countries including Britain, the United States and the EU.

China's new rocket launches five satellites

SPACE

BEIJING: China's new medium-lift carrier rocket Long March-8 made its maiden flight on Tuesday, sending five satellites successfully into planned orbit, the country's space agency said.

The rocket was launched from the Wenchang Spacecraft Launch Site in Hainan. The five experimental satellites will carry out the in-orbit verification of microwave imaging and other technologies.

They will conduct experiments in space science, remote sensing and communication technologies, media reported.

The Long March-8 rocket which has a total length of 50.3m, and a take-off mass of 356 tons can carry a payload of at least 4.5 tonnes to a sun-synchronous orbit at an altitude of 700 km, the China National Space Administration (CNSA) said. The rocket fills the gap in China's launch capability to the sun-synchronous orbit from 3 tons to 4.5 tons, and is of great significance for accelerating the upgrading of launch vehicles.

MUTED CELEBRATIONS

People walk in the streets of Moscow on Tuesday, as the Russian capital is decorated for the New Year | AP

Metals may affect pregnant women's baby

HEALTH

NEW YORK: Exposure to metals such as nickel, arsenic, cobalt and lead may disrupt a woman's hormones during pregnancy which may lead to children's later health and disease risks, says a new study.

Exposure to metals has been associated with problems at birth such as pre-term birth and low birth weight in babies, and pre-eclampsia in women. But little is known about how metals exposure can lead to such problems.

This new research, published in *Environment International*, shows that some metals may disrupt the endocrine system, which is responsible for regulating our body's hormones. These disruptions may contribute to children's later health and disease risks.

"A delicate hormonal balance orchestrates pregnancy from conception to delivery and perturbations of this balance may negatively impact both mother and foetus," said lead author Zorimar Rivera-Nunez.

UK probe new virus variant's spread in kids

HEALTH

LONDON: Scientists in the UK are investigating the impact of a new mutant variant of coronavirus, named VUI-202012/01, on children and whether its faster transmission in parts of England is down to the younger segment of the population. The government's New and Emerging Respiratory Virus Threats Advisory Group (Nervtag) is monitoring the data to analyse this arc of the variant, which has led over 40 countries, including India, to suspend travel to and from the UK in order to try and contain the more infectious mutation.

Earlier, strains of coronavirus found it harder to infect children than adults, with one explanation being that children have fewer of the doorways called the ACE2 receptor the virus uses to enter a human body's cells. Professor Wendy Barclay, from Nervtag and Imperial College London, said the mutations to the virus appeared to be making it easier to breach those doorways.

FACT OF THE MATTER

Bird flu in rural Egypt

OUTBREAK

Local authorities in rural Egypt have declared a state of emergency after detecting two outbreaks of bird flu. Nagy Awad, head of the veterinary agency in the southwestern province of al-Wadi al-Gedid, said that avian influenza was detected in two poultry farms in the villages located over 750 kilometers from the capital, Cairo. He said the infected birds were culled and authorities have carried out medical examinations of people who were in contact with them. The virus, which is mainly spread through contact with infected animals, can cause severe illness or death in humans. Egypt suffered a major outbreak in 2006 that led to the ban of all poultry exports.

New blue whales found

MARINE

Scientists have found evidence of a previously undiscovered population of blue whales living in the western Indian ocean based on an analysis of sound recordings from the region, an advance which sheds light on the global distribution of the largest animals to have ever lived on the Earth. While these mammals are found around the globe in all oceans, and sing low-pitched and recognisable songs, the researchers, including those from the New England Aquarium in the US, said every blue whale population has its own unique song. Researchers believe they have discovered what is likely a previously unrecognised population of blue whales in western Indian Ocean.

VIRGIN BIRTHS

Parthenogenesis explained: How some female species can reproduce without males

FAUNA

MARYLAND: An Asian water dragon hatched from an egg at the Smithsonian National Zoo, and her keepers were shocked. Why? Her mother had never been with a male water dragon. Through genetic testing, zoo scientists discovered the newly hatched female, born on August 24, 2016, had been produced through a reproductive mode called parthenogenesis.

Parthenogenesis is a Greek word meaning "virgin creation," but specifically refers to female asexual reproduction. While many people may assume this behavior is the domain of science fiction or religious texts, parthenogenesis is surprisingly common throughout the tree of life and is found in a variety of organisms, including plants, insects, fish, reptiles and even birds. Because mammals, including human beings, require certain genes to come from sperm, mammals are incapable of parthenogenesis.

The vast majority of animal species reproduce sexually, but females of some species are able to produce eggs containing all the genetic material required for reproduction. Females of these species, which include some wasps, crustaceans and lizards, reproduce only through parthenogenesis and are called obligate parthenogens.

A larger number of species experience spontaneous parthenogenesis, best documented in animals kept in zoo settings, like the Asian water dragon at the National Zoo or a blacktip shark at the Virginia Aquarium. Spontaneous parthenogens typically reproduce sexually, but may have occasional cycles that produce developmentally ready eggs.

Scientists have learned spontaneous parthenogenesis may be a heritable trait, meaning females that suddenly experience parthenogenesis might be more likely to have daughters that can do the same.

How can females fertilise own eggs?

For parthenogenesis to happen, a chain of cellular events must successfully unfold. First, females must be able to create egg cells (oogenesis) without stimulation from sperm or mating. Second, the eggs produced by females need to begin to develop on their own, forming an early stage embryo. Finally, the eggs must successfully hatch. Each step of this process can easily fail, particularly step two, which requires the chromosomes of DNA inside the egg to double, ensuring a full complement of genes for the developing offspring. Alternatively, the egg can be "faux fertilized" by leftover cells from the egg production process known as polar bodies. Whichever method kicks off the development of the embryo will ultimately determine the level of genetic similarity between the mother and her offspring.

The events that trigger parthenogenesis are not fully understood, but appear to include environmental change. In species that are capable of both sexual reproduction and parthenogenesis, such as aphids, stressors like crowding and predation may cause females to switch from parthenogenesis to sexual reproduction, but not the other way around. In at least one type of freshwater plankton, high salinity appears to cause the switch.

Advantages of self-reproduction

Though spontaneous parthenogenesis appears to be rare, it does provide some benefits to the female who can achieve it. In some cases, it can allow females to generate their own mating partners.

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WEDNESDAY

DAY'S DIARY

'Emma' is here

Jane Austen's *Emma* was published on this day in 1815. It was the last of her novels published while she was still alive

BIZ AS USUAL

Austen started writing the book on January 21, 1814, and finished it on March 29, 1815. Like her earlier works, *Emma* was also published anonymously

ACROSS MEDIUMS

For the first edition, 2,000 copies of *Emma* were printed —her largest first edition print run to date. Since then, it's been adapted for film, television, stage and the digital space

LASTING LEGACY

Austen earned less than £40 for *Emma* during her lifetime, though it earned much more after her death. Her books have never been out of print since they were first published

Shreyas Manju eyes role in rom-com

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HIDE AND SEEK

A once thriving art, leather puppetry now faces extinction. This show shines a light on the fading craft

EXPRESS FEATURES

THE pandemic may have cast a shadow on the arts scene now, but for many folk crafts in the country, the breathing difficulties began much before the coronavirus struck. Leather puppetry, for instance, has been struggling for survival in the state for decades, with the translucent figurines losing their sheen, and literally so, with time.

The art is in dire need of public and government support, says Prof. M J Kamalakshi, vice president, Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath, and former chairperson, Karnataka Lalithkala Academy, who is bringing attention to the craft through an ongoing exhibition titled Reflection – The Ramayana.

"Leather puppetry was once the social media of people," says Kamalakshi. "But now it suffers from lack of continuity as an art form. The economic condition of most puppeteers is so bad that youngsters move to cities in search of jobs," she adds, explaining that they earlier used to lead a nomadic life, moving from village to village to hold shows. "Now, they tend to stay in one place, but most of them don't have enough land to make a comfortable living, and they work in others' fields. So puppetry takes a back seat. And unless they practise it, the craft will not be in a presentable condition."

The art form has also suffered due to increased material cost and commercialisation, with artisans taking easier routes like tracing the images, or using textile colours instead of preparing the original shades like they used to do. "They no longer make new puppets on a particular subject. They should know how to tan leather, and colour it, etc, but the skill is being forgotten fast," says Kamalakshi, who joined Chitrakala Parishath in 1965. "We started collecting leather puppets from villages in 1968. Now, ours is the biggest collection, with over 3,000 puppets," she adds, talking about how this folk art was once popular in the entire south India. It originated at Kolhapur in Maharashtra, and later spread to other states. "The story goes that a brahmin, Kattare Kalachari, married a woman from a lower caste, and was outcast. He then started teaching his children this skill," Kamalakshi says, pointing out that even now, the puppeteers talk with their family members in Marathi even though they are fluent in, and may perform the shows, in the local language of their region. The leather puppetry too assumed distinct features in each state, with variations in size and material used.

According to Kamalakshi, public support and involvement of youngsters is essential to encourage the practice. "The government is taking some care to revive it. They hold awareness campaigns on topics such as family planning, etc. through these shows in rural areas," she says. "But that is on a small scale. It should be upon everybody to help preserve our culture."

(The show is on until Jan. 9 at Art Houz, Vasanthnagar)

IN THE SHADOWS

Leather puppets are made of deer or goat skin that absorb colour easily. The leather is treated to translucency to allow shadow play. The characters are drawn on the skin, cut out and decorated with dots and lines. The puppet is supported with a bamboo strip, and the arms have movable joints so that they can be manipulated in specific ways. The puppeteer presses the figures against the screen and the image appears as a silhouette to the viewer.

KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**

Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in CE on Thursday.

QUESTIONS

1. Prior to the construction of Vidhana Soudha in 1956, the state's administration was run from Attara Kacheri (the present high court building) from 1868. Name the iconic heritage building in Kalasipalayam area in Bengaluru which housed the state's administrative offices for a brief period before Attara Kacheri was built.

2. The present day glory of Lalbagh and the green legacy of Bengaluru owes a lot to the renowned German botanist who served as the superintendent of Lalbagh from 1908 to 1932. Name the botanist.

3. 'Anche' means local post in Kannada. Who established 'Mysore Anche', a system of regular postal delivery way back in the 1670s which was later merged with the Imperial Post Office in 1889?

CITY READ

BANK OF BARODA OFFERS SPECIAL PACKAGE FOR ARMED FORCES PERSONNEL

Bank of Baroda signed an MoU with the Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard and renewed its existing MoU with the Indian Army, to offer customised banking services through the 'Baroda Military Salary Package'. Services under the package will be offered to serving and retired personnel of Indian armed forces through the bank's network. The package offers benefits, including free personal accidental insurance cover, permanent total disability cover, partial disability cover and air accident insurance cover, as well as higher education cover and girl child marriage cover on death in case of serving personnel. Executive Director of the Bank, Vikramaditya Singh Chichi, said, "We are pleased to associate with our armed forces and with this initiative is an endeavour to offer an enhanced banking experience for the serving and retired Indian armed forces personnel."

With floral wreaths, winter cherry sprinklings and conifer elements, Christmas decor gets bigger and brighter this year, as Bengalureans turn towards a touch of nature to do their homes

FLOWER POWER

MONIKA MONALISA

Imagine walking into a room filled with fresh flowers, which we bet will cheer any dull mood. And if the occasion is a celebration, there is no harm in indulging in some fancy floral decoration. After a stressful year, this Christmas season, there seems to be a huge demand for tastefully-decorated floral arrangements. This has necessitated florists to put on their creative caps to offer novel designs in wreaths and decorations.

Nidhi Gupta, who runs Shades of Spring, has come up with two kinds of wreaths. A green one with pine cones, cyprus from Kodaikanal and foliage, and another made of various dried flowers and pine cones is being lapped up by customers. "The green ones will last for five days while the second option can last upto three months," she says, adding that although there was a demand for wreaths earlier too, the orders have suddenly surged this year.

PIC: RESHMA THOMAS

Agrees Inder Tiwana, co-founder of The Flora, an e-commerce business which is into supply of flowers and bouquets. "While the year has been quite dull because of the pandemic, intimate parties are quite in. Also, with work from home coming into the picture, people who have some spare time in hand or even those who are over worked are setting up Christmas corners to get into the festive mood," adds Tiwana.

She also emphasises that the increase in e-commerce platforms focussing on flowers has also helped people explore various options. "Bengaluru has always been a place where customers are ready to experiment, which works well for us," says Tiwana, adding that her company is one year old.

At The Flora, the basic wreath starts from ₹1,800 and the price goes up according to customisation. Apart from wreaths, red and white flowers and Christmas cherries are also fast moving. If you are the kind of person who loves to create your own designs, Monalisa Panda says this adds a personal touch. "You can create a wreath with a round mirror and put leftover flowers or foliage around it," says Panda.

FLORAL TREAT

Add conifer cones and Christmas cherries to decor

Try a colour play of red and white while picking flowers

Experiment with different floral designs using foliage

Welcome guests by hanging a wreath on the door

Tall tales for little ones

Artistes Ratna Pathak Shah, MD Pallavi, Arundhati Nag and others will enthrall children with stories from world over

MONIKA MONALISA

Even as parents worry about their little ones spending increased time in front of screens, this storytelling festival is one where they won't mind that. Ranga Shankara's storytelling session for children AHA's Little Cloud is back with its third series from December 25-30. The session will be happening digitally.

With a line-up of storytellers, including Ratna Pathak Shah, MD Pallavi, Arundhati Nag, Sihi Kahi Chandru and others, the stories will span different languages – Kannada, English, Hindi, Telugu, Tamil, and Marathi. Along with that, one of the stories will be in the form of the classical Indian tradition of Kutiyattam, and one story is from Germany.

Arundhati Nag, founder of Ranga Shankara, for whom the event has been really special, hopes to spread the magic of storytelling through this programme. "Little Cloud on a digital medium is really special for us. So many artistes readily sent us stories. We have so much variety in this series with a very special one from Germany for children under four years of age. We hope to keep adding to this treasure," adds Nag.

Even if the sessions are for children between the ages of 4 and 6, people in any age group can enjoy it. MD Pallavi, who is going tell *Angelina's Christmas* by Katharine Holabird in Kannada, points out that stories are very important not just for children but also adults. "It helps open a part of the mind which leads to imagination and create a world of its own," says Pallavi, adding that when stories are told, it's important that it's told in a manner where concepts are easily understood.

Ratna Pathak Shah

Veteran artiste from Mumbai Gitanjali Kulkarni, who will tell stories in Marathi says it's not easy to grab the attention of children. Which is why she will use movements to make it interesting for them. "The story I am telling is about four hens and two roosters which is basic, but I use a lot of movements and colours to capture their attention. You basically have to create world of their own," explains Kulkarni, who has been in the field for 23 years.

The event will be held from Dec 25 to 31, 11 am, on the theatre's YouTube channel.

Looking forward

Looks like actor Samyukta Hornad is ready to bid goodbye to this year. At least that's what her social media post with a photograph of her goes to show. "Everything fell apart this year, nothing went as planned and we have all found a way to cope with it. 2020 has taught me to find the strength and power to face the elements, to handle situations, people and heartbreaks, to weather all storms... gracefully. You can't control most things and that's okay. Instead of stumbling backwards, I will stumble forward. I will move... softly... towards my destiny. Come and get me, 2021." Cannot agree more.

GIFT IN STYLE

If you're looking for gifting options, check out these hampers which include a wide range of options. From adult colouring books to potted plants and party supplies, these curated hampers have been put together just for this festive season
Details: thedotted.in

DONUTS, THE FESTIVE WAY

Imagine that cute Santa face or a lovely Christmas tree as donuts for your Christmas celebrations! Mad Over Donuts is here to delight you with such gourmet donuts designed for Christmas! Available in Mumbai, Pune, Bengaluru, Delhi & Chennai till January 3. **For details, visit:** madoverdonuts.com; **Order at:** moddelivery.com

SEASON FOR SUNFLOWER

Soulflower assures you'll be looking gorgeous for those under-the-mistletoe moments. Treat yourself and your loved ones to a true pampering experience this Christmas along with Soulflower Secret Santa Beauty Christma Gift Collection and Soulflower Lavender Christmas Set. **Available at:** sunflower.biz

DINNERWARE OF DESIRE

With Christmas being just a few days away, luxury homegrown dinnerware brand Kaunteya has curated two sets of gifting box for your loved ones. The items include a cookie platter with two coffee mugs and four sets of coffee mugs. All products are crafted in premium bone China and in 24KT gold plating. **Available at:** kaunteya.in

Don't miss this tribute to Michael Jackson by The Joel Jacob Collective. WHEN & WHERE On Dec. 25, 7.30pm, at Easy Tiger, St Marks Road. Tickets: bookmyshow.com

X'mas storytelling

Class 7 student Amay Agarwal is hosting a virtual storytelling session along with a Christmas concert through Storytelling Society of India. The other performers include Sia, Aditi and Atharv who will narrate and tell stories, Srenish who will perform on the tabla and Ayensh who will sing.
When: Dec. 23, 5 pm onwards **For details:** WhatsApp 9538952052

Wine for the times

Grover Zampa Vineyards is all set to add to the festive spirit with its latest offering, India's wine producer introduces bottled mulled wine – One Tree Hill Mulled Wine. This wine gives an Indian twist to this European classic. Priced at ₹650.
For details, visit: groverzampa.in

Korean food for the Indian household

InKo Centre, in association, with Korea Tourism Organization, presents The Korean culinary series – Korean Cooking for Indian Homes – with delectable recipes that can easily be made in Indian homes. The episodic series will introduce you to 10 recipes (including Beachu Kimchi and Japchae), airing today at 6 pm.
Available at: https://www.youtube.com/InKoCentre

Period care in a box

&Me presents their monthly period box – Inside & Out, which aims at providing complete and uncompromising period comfort. The kit comprises of &Me's niche offerings like Period Tea, Period Chocolates, "No compromise" Sanitary pads, "Easy" Menstrual cup and Soothe Roll On.
Available at: andme.in

Velammal's own Margazhi utsav

Velammal School is set to host Digital Margazhi Utsav 2020 , featuring sessions by popular singers Srinivas, Anuradha Sriram, Nithyashree Mahadevan, Shravan, Sai Charan and many others. The festival will be live-streamed at 6 pm from December 23 to January 5. **Watch it at:** Velammal Nexus YouTube channel.

DIY perfume journey

ISAK Labs brings to you a unique box to stimulate your olfactory senses and "Make your own Perfume". There are 12 ingredients/bases ready for perfumery along with an ISAK Lab Workbook with notes, formula sheets, and space to take down your personal notes. The detailed instructions and steps will guide you through the process, helping you explore your creativity while mesmerising you through the creation of your unique bespoke perfume. Priced at ₹2,700.
Available at: isakfragrances.com, silkayra.com, storyofindia.in, scentkraft.com

Asia's largest robotics challenge is back!

Avishkaar has opened registrations for its flagship global competition, Avishkaar League 2020. This year, the League aims to identify and celebrate superhero innovators who think differently to improve the world that is inundated by COVID-19. The competition has been designed for students between grades 1 to 9. **For details, call:** 8506841515 or visit www.avishkaar.cc/avishkaar-league

QUICK FIX

What's cooking

IN YOUR KITCHEN?
We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

GREEN DOSA

INGREDIENTS

- **Any greens** - 1 big bunch ■ **Red chilli** - 3 ■ **Jeera** - 1 tsp
- **Dosa batter** - 1 cup ■ Oil to cook

METHOD

- Clean and chop the greens into tiny pieces.
- Roast the chillies and crush it.
- In a bowl, take the greens, chillies and jeera. Add the amount of dosa batter required to just bind the greens and mix well.
- Prepare dosas as usual and serve hot with a suitable side dish.

— Akila Thiyagarajan, Bengaluru

FIT BIT

JYESTIKASANA

(THE SUPERIOR POSE)

In Sanskrit, Jyeshta means 'elder' or 'superior' and asana means 'pose' or 'posture'. It is a deeply relaxing and restorative asana suitable for yogis of all levels of experience. A soothing asana for both body and mind, it is an ideal asana for calming the nervous system. It can be held for several minutes or as long as feels comfortable to allow the body to relax and the mind to settle. It is to be practiced with natural, rhythmic breathing to further steady the mind. It is helpful in curing diseases ranging from minor headache to diabetes, blood pressure etc. At the same time, it keeps the body healthy and also helps in keeping diseases away.

STEPS

- First, lie down in the prone position on a mat, keeping the legs straight.
- Now, bring your legs near to each other to get into this pose.
- While keeping your legs straight, see to it that the forehead is resting on the floor.
- Then, interlock your fingers and place the palms on the back of the head or neck to get into this Superior Pose.
- Now, allow the elbows to rest on the floor in Jyestikasana.
- You should maintain a constant breath while being in this pose.
- Keep breathing deeply.
- Stay aware of your breath while being in this pose.
- Relax the whole body and feel the stress, tensions and anxiety leaving your body.
- You can stay in this asana for as long as you can.
- You can also practise this pose after finishing the all other asanas to relax like Shavasana.

BENEFITS

- It reduces stiffness in the neck and upper back, thereby relaxing the entire spine.
- It is considered a very good pose for people suffering from cervical spondylosis.
- Helps in balancing the mind, increases the power of concentration, allows more awareness of the unconscious realms and induces physical and mental relaxation quickly.
- The thinking process becomes very clear and precise with regular practice of this pose.
- It quiets your mind and prepares you for meditation.
- It refreshes and rejuvenates you and also relieves you of stress and mild depression.
- Helps in increasing flexibility during difficult situations.
- It is considered very well for people suffering from neck pain.
- Also advised for people with chronic spinal issues and it helps in treating neck issues.

LIMITATIONS

- If there is any serious disease in the legs or thighs, then do this asana only after consulting a yoga expert. This asana should not be done if there is a hernia.

— by N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

SOUND BOARD

GREAT WOMEN OF BUSINESS

From Coco Chanel to Julia Child, in this special 12-episode series, expect stories of the triumphs of individuals ahead of their time. The podcast examines their most innovative business principles and how those shaped their work and lives.
- On Apple Podcasts

THE SCHOOL OF GREATNESS

In this podcast, author Lewis Howes shares inspiring interviews from the most successful people on the planet. These are world-renowned leaders in business, entertainment, sports, science, health, and literature who will inspire you to unlock your inner greatness and live your best life.
- On Apple Podcasts

VISHNU KI SECRET LIFE

In this podcast, you'll learn something new about nutrition, fitness, life or lifestyle choices, from Vishnu's own experiences and sometimes, his questionable decisions.
- On Spotify

THE BIG SHOTS - DOSA KING

This thrilling Spotify Original podcast by Sikhya Entertainment, offers an epic drama about the exponential rise of P Rajagopal, the founder of Saravana Bhavan, and the shocking scandal that led to his fall.
- On Spotify

LETS NOT MEET: A TRUE HORROR PODCAST

The podcast offers true horror stories written by those that made it out alive. Those narrated are first person accounts and these are an anthology of terror and suspense. It's produced by martial artist.
- On Apple Podcasts

POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

PUDHUPETTAI

After seeing his mother dead, a young boy runs away and is later recruited by a gangster. After becoming the right hand man of his employer, he makes serious enemies and everyone starts targeting him.
- Cast: Dhanush, Sneha, Sonia Agarwal

UNNAI NINAITHU

A young man tries to explain to his lover that her fiance is a crook. She refuses to believe him. Later, she realises her mistake and comes back to him. But the man now loves another woman.
- Cast: Suriya, Laila, Sneha

SILAMBATTAM

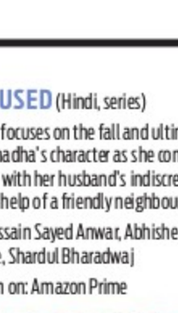
A story about the feuds within a family that take on unmanageable proportions and result in death and despair for many. About an extended family in a village, leading a happy and united existence.
- Cast: T.R. Silambarasan, Sana Khaan, Sneha

APRIL MAADHATHIL

Kathir, a youth from a poor family, and Shweta, a rich girl, meet in college and fall in love with each other. However, the two of them do not confess their feelings for each other.
- Cast: Srikanth, Sneha, Gayatri Jayaraman

Scan this QR code to find out how your favourite celebs are coping with the lockdown.

WHAT'S ON TED TALKS



1 THE BEAUTIFUL MATH OF CORAL BY MARGARET WERTHEIM

Science writer Margaret Wertheim re-creates the creatures of the coral reefs using a technique invented by a mathematician – simultaneously celebrating the amazements of the reef and deep-diving into the hyperbolic underpinnings of coral creation.

2 MYSTERIES OF VERNACULAR: TUXEDO BY JESSICA ORECK

How did tuxedo's roots extend from Native American history to black tie evening wear? Jessica Oreck reveals what the Delaware Indians and formal fashion have in common.

3 CAN WE CALL IT "WORLD MAP" IF IT'S MISSING A BILLION PEOPLE? BY REBECCA FIRTH

Want to help map the world? Community builder Rebecca Firth explains how the Humanitarian OpenStreetMap Team (HOT) is using open-source software powered by volunteers to put one billion people on the map in the next five years.

4 WHAT COVID-19 MEANS FOR THE FUTURE OF COMMERCE, CAPITALISM AND CASH BY DAN SCHULMAN

Capitalism needs an upgrade, says PayPal CEO Dan Schulman, and it starts with paying people enough to actually invest in their futures. He discusses why companies need to cultivate trust to recover and rebuild after the COVID-19 pandemic.

5 WHO COUNTS AS A SPEAKER OF A LANGUAGE? BY ANNA BABEL

Backed by research and personal anecdotes, Spanish professor Anna Babel reveals the intricate relationship between language and culture, showing how social categories and underlying biases influence the way we hear, regard and, ultimately, judge each other.

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

FRENCH BIRIYANI (Kannada)

Simon is a representative of a drug company from France and Asgar is a local auto driver from Shivajinagar. They share a two-day journey in the city where a comedy of errors changes the way they look at life.

Cast: Danish Sait, Sal Yusuf, Disha Madan, Rangayana Raghu, Michael Madhu

Watch on: Amazon Prime

PADI PADI LECHE MANASU (Telugu)

Set in Kolkata, the romantic drama chronicles the shared destiny of a young couple as they navigate through the highs and lows of a budding relationship.

Cast: Sharwanand, Sai Pallavi, Suneel

- Watch on: Amazon Prime

PIKU (Hindi)

A quirky comedy about the relationship between a daughter and her aging father, whose eccentricities drive everyone crazy.

Cast: Deepika Padukone, Amitabh Bachchan, Irrfan Khan

- Watch on: SonyLIV

GANTUMOOTE

A 16-year-old girl embarks on a journey of life where she deals with understanding herself, the changing world, bullying, academic pressure and her transcending journey of first love.

Cast: Karthik Achari, Aryan, Pruthvi Banawasi

- Watch on: Amazon Prime

SCAM 1992: THE HARSHAD MEHTA STORY (Hindi, series)

Set in 1980s and 90s Bombay, it follows the life of Harshad Mehta, a stockbroker who took the stock market to dizzying heights and his catastrophic downfall.

Cast: Pratik Gandhi, Shreya Dhanwanthary, Anjali Barot

- Watch on: SonyLIV

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

UNPAUSED (Hindi, series)

The plot focuses on the fall and ultimate rise of Chadha's character as she comes to terms with her husband's indiscretions with the help of a friendly neighbour.

Cast: Hussain Sayed Anwar, Abhishek Banerjee, Shardul Bharadwaj

- Watch on: Amazon Prime

NINNU KORI (Telugu)

Two lovers, Pallavi and Uma get separated by circumstances, but reconnect years later, when Pallavi is happily married to someone else.

Cast: Nani, Nivetha Thomas, Aadhi

- Watch on: Amazon Prime

FOREIGN

MARY POPPINS RETURNS (English)

A few decades after her original visit, Mary Poppins, the magical nanny, returns to help the Banks siblings and Michael's children through a difficult time in their lives.

Cast: Emily Blunt, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Ben Whishaw

- Watch on: Disnep + Hotstar

THE NIGHT COMES FOR US (Indonesian)

Ito, a gangland enforcer, caught amidst a treacherous and violent insurrection within his Triad crime family upon his return home from a stint abroad.

Cast: Joe Taslim, Iko Uwais, Julie Estelle

- Watch on: Netflix

BORAT SUBSEQUENT MOVIEFILM (English)

Follow-up film to the 2006 comedy centering on the real-life adventures of a fictional Kazakh television journalist named Borat.

Cast: Sacha Baron Cohen, Maria Bakalova, Tom Hanks

- Watch on: Amazon Prime

REBECCA (English)

A young newlywed arrives at her husband's imposing family estate on a windswept English coast and finds herself battling the shadow of his first wife, Rebecca, whose legacy lives on in the house long after her death.

Cast: Lily James, Armie Hammer, Kristin Scott Thomas

- Watch on: Netlix

SUBSCRIPTION

Netflix: ₹ 199 per month
Amazon Prime: ₹ 129 per month
Zee5: ₹ 99 per month

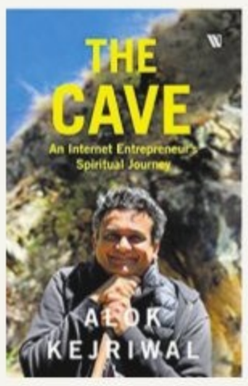
BOOK SHELF

A bit of everything

Author: **Sandeep Raina**

Pages: **264**

Varmull, nestled amidst the mighty Pir Mountains and the Jhelum River, with its small-town familiarity exchanged in quiet lanes, has always been home. Until violence overwhelms the streets, and there is no option but to flee. For six punishing summers in a Delhi barsati, Rahul, Doora and their young son try to push back their memories and their longing for Kashmir. Around them, the city remains rude and alien. Their landlord calls Rahul a Muslim-Brahmin because he eats meat; his pandit relatives want him to join a Hindu extremist group. It isn't long then before Rahul flees again, this time to England, where he hopes he will not have to make these choices: Pandit or Kashmiri? Rational intellectual or wounded exile? Expat or refugee? As he struggles to survive his foreignness, stumbling from one accidental relationship to another, a series of bombings in London blasts Kashmir right back into his life. A devastating exploration of what it means to lose one's home, the book lays bare the many ways in which the violence of a land tears apart the everyday lives of its people.

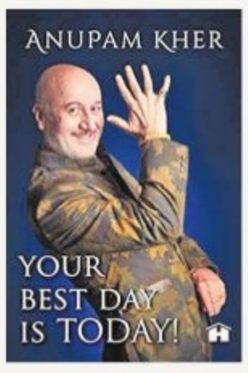


The Cave

Author: **Alok Kejriwal**

Pages: **151**

The book is a deeply personal account of author Alok Kejirwal's spiritual journey. Separated from his parents at birth, he was raised under the care of his grandparents. During the course of these life-altering events, he realised that his life was not going to be a usual one. A playbook of the principles of success that the author has acquired over the years, *The Cave* details the opportunities that are available to us all, if only we follow our heart as much as we follow our mind.

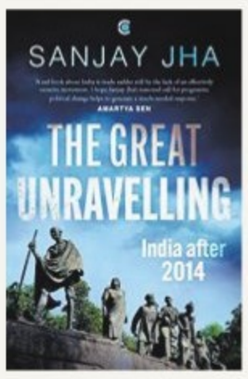


Your Best Day Is Today!

Author: **Anupam Kher**

Pages: **272**

Your Best Day Is Today! is a compendium of experiences, lessons, and positive takeaways that will help you deal with the dark times in your life. It is a guide to getting in touch with your inner self and finding solutions to the problems that arise with adapting to changes in life. It is also a reminder of how you are not alone and there is always a way to make the best of any situation life throws at you. This book will inspire you and fill your heart with immense love, faith, and joy.



The Great Unravelling: India after 2014

Author: **Sanjay Jha**

Pages: **277**

Sanjay Jha, long-time Congress spokesperson, now suspended from the party for his outspokenness against it, takes a hard look at what all of this means for the future of India. What are the reasons for the Congress's acute lack of oppositional ability? Is a resurrection of this seemingly somnolent giant even possible? What would it entail? Can the party look beyond the easy fallback of the Gandhi-family charisma and embrace transformational change? Can it sell its vision—of inclusive growth and social justice—to a nation that seems mesmerised by hate? Even as he asks tough questions of the government and his party, Jha has not lost faith in Mahatma Gandhi's India. He writes of renewal, of hope.

OF PRECIOUS MEMORIES

On 14 August 1947, Mohammad Ali Jinnah took over as the first governor general of Pakistan. He was already in an advanced stage of terminal illness by then. The highly revered leader died in less than thirteen months. Subsequently, every aspect of Jinnah's life was recorded and documented in hundreds of books and biographies, some commissioned by the government, others written independently.

A whole lot of government agencies, such as the National Archives of Pakistan, the Quaid-i-Azam Papers Project (QAPP), the Jinnah Memorial Trust and Quaid-e-Azam Mazar Management Board, were tasked with conserving papers and documents related to him, and his personal effects, from his coats, hats, pens and monocles to his houses and limousines. The curators were tasked with salvaging and preserving countless portraits and photographs. Jinnah's mortal remains are preserved in a grand mausoleum in Karachi. When completed in 1970, it was the highest tomb, including the height of its pedestal, of any twentieth-century political figure anywhere in the world. However, all of this paled against his towering personality.

Mrs Jinnah had always been sanguine that her husband was destined to rise high and leave an enviable legacy behind. Her untimely death did not let her witness and share that glory. And when he died, her contribution to his legacy went unnoticed. Curiously enough, somewhere along the way, Mrs Jinnah and everything associated with her, or with Jinnah's marriage, went missing. How could it be that not a single portrait of the Jinnahs together was found—nothing related to the wedding, such as the wedding ring or gifts, could be traced and none of the wife's fabulous dresses found their way into any museum. And this, despite the fact that Jinnah had made sure that all his trunks carrying every little thing associated with his wife were transported to Pakistan.

After the passing away of Mrs Jinnah, the role of companion for Jinnah was filled by his sister, Fatima, the youngest of his four sisters.

So, for the next nineteen years, until Jinnah died, Fatima assisted her brother in all his political commitments, and personal care of his health, household matters and needs. When Pakistan was created, it was obviously Fatima, rather than Mrs Jinnah, who enjoyed Jinnah's acclaim and witnessed his stately honours. Fatima would share the horse-drawn state coach escorted by the governor general's mounted cavalry guard with her brother. Fatima's contribution was nationally recognized; she was awarded the title of Madar-e-Millat (Mother of the Nation), and her birth and death anniversaries are officially observed to this day in Pakistan.

The brother and sister duo had an age difference of seventeen years. It is interesting to note how Fatima became the closest sibling to her brother after Mrs Jinnah's death.

Guardianship of the Jinnah Sisters: Shirin and Fatima Jinnah, born in 1876, was the eldest of the seven siblings (three brothers and four sisters); Fatima was the youngest. She was the only sibling to yet have been born when Jinnah left for England for higher education in 1892. Fatima was born the following year, in 1893.

When Jinnah returned to Karachi in 1896, he was already twenty, and the newest arrival in the family, his sister, was three years old. Fatima, a toddler then, became his darling sister. Since their father's business wasn't doing well, it fell on Jinnah to take care of his six siblings.

Jinnah married off the two elder sisters, Rahmatbai and Mariambai in 1897 and (probably around) 1901, respectively, while their brother Banday Ali Jinnah passed away at a young age. Rahmatbai moved to Calcutta with her husband and Mariam moved to Bombay with hers.1 When their father died in 1902, Jinnah had no choice but to take his remaining three siblings to Bombay, where he was practising law.

He got his brother, Ahmad Ali Jinnah, admitted to an Islamic boarding school while the two sisters, Shirin and Fatima, stayed with him in his Colaba apartment. For the first few months, he would take both his younger sisters, aged fourteen and nine, respectively, in his carriage to drop them off at Mariam's house on the way to work. In the evenings, he would pick them up and bring them home.

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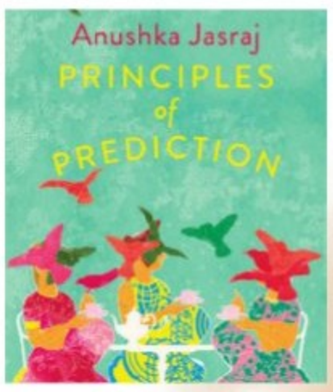
TURNING PAGES

THE WOMAN
WHO STOOD DEFIANT
RUTTIE
JINNAH
SAAD S. KHAN
with SARA S. KHAN
"The first comprehensive biography of Ruttie Jinnah"
FAISAL DEVJI, professor of Indian history, University of Oxford,
and author of Muslim Zion: Pakistan as a Political Idea

A compilation of 13 stories, Anushka Jasraj's debut book *Principles of Predictions* explores various shades of people, with some stories comprising fantastical and detective elements

KEEPING IT SHORT

MONIKA MONALISA



Firsts are always special, and it applies to **Anushka Jasraj**, two-time regional winner of the Commonwealth Short Story Prize for Asia, in 2012 and 2017, who is out with her debut book *Principles of Predictions* (Westland Publications, ₹499). Jasraj virtually launched the book on Champaca book store's social media page on Saturday.

The book, a collection of short stories, explores different layers of human relationships and the various shades and emotions of people, with some stories having fantastical and detective elements in them. Having written over a period of nine years, the launch of the book brought mixed emotions of "excitement and relief" for the author. "The stories have been written over such a long period that some of them have their distinct worlds. The earliest story in the book was the radio story that I wrote in 2011 and the most recent story was written last year and edited this year. The initial plan was to launch the book somewhere when the lockdown started but it got pushed to now," says the 31-year-old author.

The book consists of 13 short stories which are spread across different genres. "When I started writing short stories I was doing my masters in fine arts in creative writing from The University of Texas. I never thought it could be turned into a book since the demand for novels is more. But as interest in short stories started growing, I thought why not turn it into a book," says Jasraj, who had also thought that her debut book would be a novel.

Having been a film student, it would have been natural for her to take the visual route, but having been introduced to literature at a very young age, it helped her make the decision she did. "I have always seen myself as a reader. I have grown up reading Judy Blume, Nancy Drew, Arundhati Roy and Bapsi Sidhwa," says Jasraj, adding that this could probably explain the addition of fantastical elements in her stories.

Currently working on her next book, Jasraj is approaching publishing houses with the idea.

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STUDENT PUBLISHES BOOK

Amana, a Class 7 student from Bishop Cottons Girls' School released a book called *Echoes of Soulful Poems*. She wrote more than 100 poems in English during the lockdown, and her first book comprising 64 poems was published by Sapna Book House. S Suresh Kumar, Minister for Primary and Secondary Education, Government of Karnataka, and Doddarange Gowda, poet and Padmashri awardee, launched the book. Dr Lavanya Mithran, principal, Bishop Cotton Girls' School were present.

PEOPLE MORE LIKELY TO REMEMBER SAD, MEANINGFUL DEATHS IN FICTION

Many people may cheer the demise of evil villains in fiction, but the only deaths that they do remember are the ones which they perceive as sad and meaningful endings of the character they love, say researchers. The study, published in the journal *Omega-Journal of Death and Dying*, found that when people were asked to recall the death of a fictional character, they were more likely to mention deaths perceived as "meaningful" than those seen as "pleasurable." "We remember the deaths that made us cry and think more than those that made us cheer," said study co-author Matthew Grizzard from the Ohio State University in the US. "It seems that when we recall death, even in the relatively consequence-free spaces of media entertainment, we experience it as a meaningful, reflective experience," Grizzard added.

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URBAN BOURBON
Hriday Ranjan
Writer, comedian

A WARY CHRISTMAS TO YOU TOO

Last week, Yours Truly got tested for the novel coronavirus at home. A man walked in a blue suit and a medical kit. He poked a plastic straw each in my throat and nose, and by the end of the experience, I was overcome with tears. Not out of joy or relief, but due to the stinging pain the test caused.

The tests, thankfully, came out negative, but there were no wild celebrations. While I still wore my mask wherever I went, a deeper mask of fear that I might have been asymptomatic was off my mind. Just as I was feeling relief, news of a second wave began to trickle in. Having studied commerce, I do not consider myself very knowledgeable in science, but apparently the virus is coming out with a 2.0 firmware update that nobody asked for.

Major cities in the country are taking precautionary measures to prevent large crowds. However, this has not disheartened me; it feels like a final sacrifice in a year that has already taken so much from all of us. The only grouse is the resulting dampened Christmas celebrations.

Christmas was always a festival that brought a smile to my face. I grew up in a secular, spiritual school and we celebrated Christmas as grandly as we did Krishna Janmashtami and Deepavali. It was the only festival where the prayers were taught to us through English songs called carols. Singing those Christmas carols early in cold winter mornings gave the proceedings a 'Hollywood' feel. Of course, much of our fascination for Christmas came from Hollywood films and their depictions of Christmas miracles and Santa Claus. Since we weren't familiar with the spelling of his name, we re-baptised Father Christmas as Shanta Claus – a male version of Shanti. Of course, we didn't expect Santa Claus to give us all presents under our pillows, we were familiar with the lack of public transport back in the day.

Christmas was also the festival of red lights and stars hanging from doors, of carols that sang of silent nights and saints that went marching in. One of the beautiful aspects of a secular Indian upbringing was how easily we as kids assimilated Christmas, Santa Claus and Jesus Christ into our own belief system. All it took was one *Amar Chitra Katha* Special Issue on Jesus Christ, and I added him to my pantheon of favourite gods.

After growing up, Christmas was fused with the more raucous New Years' celebrations. As a result, the relatively calm Christmas ended up getting clubbed with the more boisterous, hedonistic celebrations. The simple joy of singing songs and lighting candles was clubbed with the act of drinking till one's body would allow, only to wake up like *Ghajini* the next day, with half the memory wiped out. I still do not understand why we humans around the world celebrate the end of a year. I sometimes wonder if we are doing it only because we are on top of the food chain over the last few centuries - I certainly don't see other species celebrating spending another year!

Thanks to the restrictions this year, there will be no drinking and partying at the end of the year. If nature is truly healing, perhaps our cities deserve to wake up to a cleaner, calmer new year. As the entire nation prepares to celebrate the penultimate week of this strange year, I hope you get time to spend with your family, sipping on wine and eating plum cake. Have yourself a wary, but Merry Christmas!

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Rakul Preet Singh tests positive for Covid-19

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RAKUL Preet Singh took to social media to announce that she has tested positive for Covid-19. The actor shared that she has quarantined herself.

Rakul Preet wrote, "I'd like to inform everyone that I have tested positive for Covid-19. I have quarantined myself. I am feeling fine and will rest up well so that I can be back at shoot soon. Request everyone who met me kindly get yourself tested. Thank you and please stay safe."

Rakul had just started shooting for the film, *Mayday*. She stars alongside Amitabh Bachchan and Ajay Devgn in the thriller drama, which is is directed and produced by the latter. She will be seen in the role of a pilot in *Mayday*. This is her second film with Ajay after *De De Pyaar De*.

Shreyas Manju

SCREEN TEST DONE, SHREYAS EYES ROLE IN ROM-COM

The *Padde Huli* hero plans to start this trilingual project in summer of 2021; the actor has another film ready to take off in January

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>
> Shreyas Manju, actor

A SHARADHAA

SHREYAS Manju, who is looking forward to the release of his upcoming film, *Vishnu Priya,* is getting ready to be a part of a rom-com, for which the *Padde Huli* hero recently took a screen test.

"The film is based on a story written by Naga, a Chennai-based writer, which I had heard during the making of *Vishnu Priya*. The concept of a romantic comedy interested me, and I have given my nod for it. The shooting will begin in the beginning of summer," says Shreyas Manju, adding, "The styling for this characterisation was done by choreographer-director Imran Sardharyia, and the photos were shot by *KISS* cinematographer, Arjun Shetty."

With the story in hand, the one-film-old hero is now hunting for a director who can do justice to the script and his characterisation. "We are working on the screenplay, and after that the decision will be taken on the director, cast, and crew. This project will have Imran Sardhariya choreographing the songs, and will be part of the creative team as well," he adds.

Shreyas also wants to make his mark in other languages, and plans to have this Kannada film made in Malayalam and Tamil as well. "*Vishnu Priya* is also releasing in Malayalam, and I felt it is the right time to mark my presence in Tamil cinema as well, and the script has been created accordingly," he says.

Meanwhile, the actor has another film going on floors in January, which he hints is a multi-starrer project. "I am waiting for the production house to reveal details, and that is when I will be able to throw more light on the film and my role," he says.

His *Vishnu Priya,* directed by VK Prakash, is ready. But the makers plan to release it only when the government permits full occupancy in theatres. The film, produced by K Manju, has Gopi Sundar's music. It also marks the debut of Malayalam actor Priya Prakash Varrier in Kannada films.

Krishna Ajai Rao's next a romantic thriller

The story penned by director Shashank will mark the directorial debut of Shankar; it is being made by G-Cinemas

> This time Shashank has come up with a really good story for Krishna Ajai Rao, and we are glad to be uniting with the writer and actor as well as the director for a romantic thriller subject
>
> Guru Deshpande director/ producer

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Krishna Ajai Rao will be working on a story written by director Shashank and it that will mark the directorial debut of Shankar. The film is being made under the banner of director Guru Deshpande's production house, G-Cinemas. The production house had previously planned a film, titled *Rainbow,* and it has been pushed. Instead, they have announced the new romantic thriller.

The inauguration of the film is planned on January 24, before which the makers will be revealing details on the heroine, cast, and crew.

Shankar has worked as a co-director and as an associate in over 15 films including *Raja Huli, Rudratandava,* and the latest *Gentleman* starring Prajwal Devaraj.

Writer Shashank, who is also known as a director, has collaborated with Krishna Ajai Rao in films like *Krishnan Love Story,* and *Krishnan Marriage Story*.

Krishna Ajai Rao has films like *Krishna Talkies* and *Shokiwaala* in the pipeline.

Krishna Ajai Rao

Shankar

Shashank

Ayushmann to star in and as *Doctor G* in Junglee Pictures' next

CE FEATURES

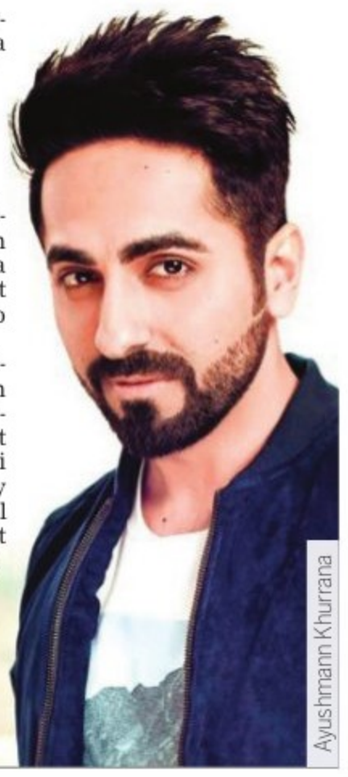
AFTER two successful collaborations on *Bareilly Ki Barfi* (2017) and *Badhaai Ho* (2018), Ayushmann Khurrana and Junglee Pictures are teaming up for a new film titled *Doctor G*.

To be directed by Anubhuti Kashyap, the film is a campus comedy-drama where the main protagonist will be a doctor. The film is written by Sumit Saxena, Vishal Wagh and Saurabh Bharat, who is a doctor-turned-writer and has drawn inspiration from his medical college life experiences.

Talking about the film, Ayushmann says, "*Doctor G* is a script that I fell in love with instantly because it is super fresh. It is an extremely unique and an innovative concept that will make you laugh and also make you ponder. I'm excited to don the doctor's coat for the first time in my career and also deliver a message in the process that will hopefully speak directly to your hearts."

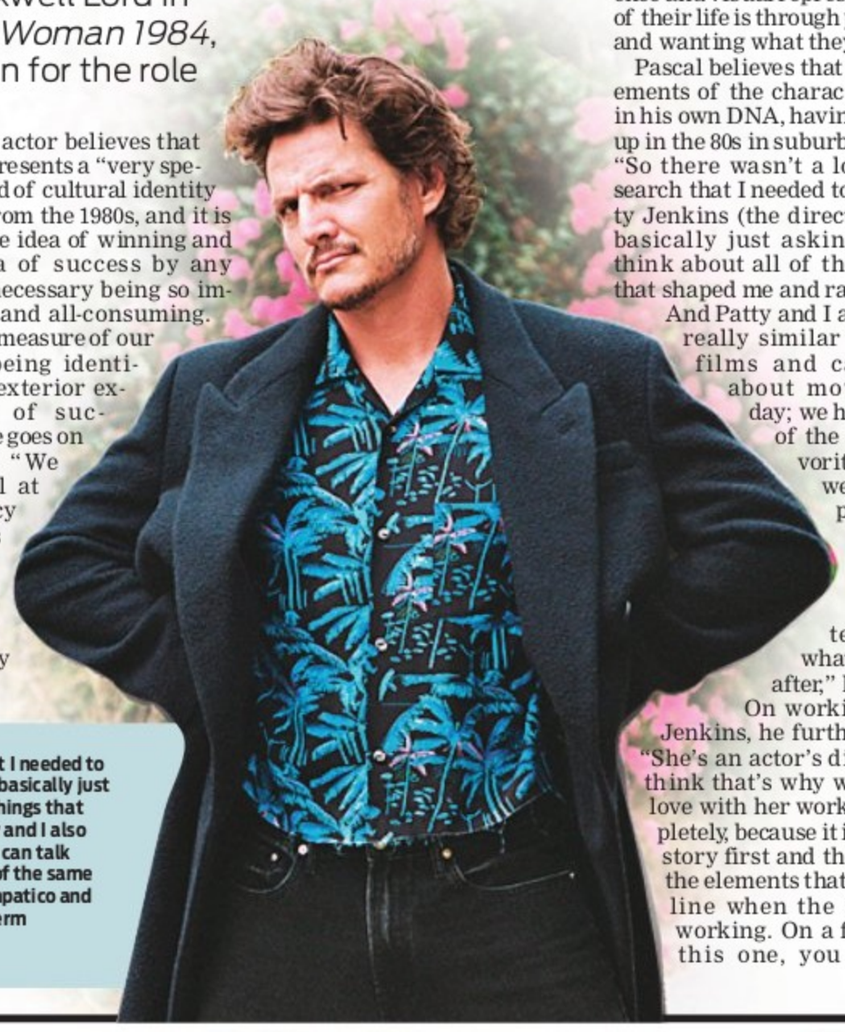
Anubhuti Kashyap has directed the mini-series *Afsos* (on Amazon Prime Video) and several short films. Talking about her debut feature, Anubhuti shares, "I am stepping into my filmmaking journey with all my passion and this project has me thrilled to be on sets. I am looking forward to working with Junglee Pictures and the ever so versatile & talented Ayushmann. This film is definitely exciting because it appeals to both the younger & the family audiences equally."

Amrita Pandey, CEO, Junglee Pictures, adds, "We are thrilled to partner with Anubhuti on *Doctor G* as her first feature film. The creative development team at Junglee along with the writers of the film Sumit, Vishal, Saurabh and Anubhuti have developed this high concept and superbly entertaining script that we can't wait to bring to life. Ayushmann will elevate the experience even more with this 3rd outing with Junglee."


Ayushmann Khurrana

THE LORD NEMESIS

The actor, who portrays Maxwell Lord in the much-awaited *Wonder Woman 1984*, speaks about his preparation for the role



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>
> Pedro Pascal, actor

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IN 2018, when the news about Pedro Pascal's casting as Maxwell Lord in *Wonder Woman 1984* came out, it was widely welcomed. Yet, there was a bit of scepticism amongst fans as there haven't been many live-action portrayals of the DC super villain on-screen. However, when the teaser for the much-awaited sequel dropped, it became clear that Pascal was the perfect fit.

After making a name for himself as Oberyn Martell in the hit fantasy series Game of Thrones and as Javier Pena in Netflix's crime series Narcos, playing a DC villain was somewhat of a new territory for Pascal. The actor believes that Max represents a "very specific kind of cultural identity that is from the 1980s, and it is about the idea of winning and the idea of success by any means necessary being so important and all-consuming. And the measure of our worth being identified by exterior examples of success." He goes on to add, "We are still at the mercy of status symbols. Even though today we're having bigger conversations about all of it, people are still checking other people's social media and seeing how much better the visual experience and visual representation of their life is through pictures, and wanting what they have."

Pascal believes that these elements of the character exist in his own DNA, having grown up in the 80s in suburban USA. "So there wasn't a lot of research that I needed to do. Patty Jenkins (the director) was basically just asking me to think about all of the things that shaped me and raised me. And Patty and I also have really similar taste in films and can talk about movies all day; we have a lot of the same favorites, so we were completely simpatico and in sync in terms of what she was after," he says.

On working with Jenkins, he further adds, "She's an actor's director. I think that's why we fall in love with her work so completely, because it is always story first and then all of the elements that fall into line when the story is working. On a film like this one, you always think, how do I technically achieve that? How do I look a certain way? How do I achieve that look? How do I achieve an action sequence? How do I achieve a fight? But with Patty, it was always how do I tell the story?"

As the teaser showed, Pascal's character and Gal Gadot's *Wonder Woman* lock horns in the film. How was it behind the screens? Pascal says that he was "struck by (Gadot's) beauty, warmth and talent." He adds, "You think, how are all of these elements combined into this completely accessible actor and movie star? And you meet her and she's even nicer than you expect her to be!"

The actor also has several scenes with Kristen Wiig's Barbara Minerva aka Cheetah in the upcoming film. Pascal calls Wiig, not just one the greatest comedians, but "one of our greatest actors." He doesn't give away much about the specifics of the interactions between the two characters, only saying, "Ultimately, this is a superhero movie, but there are very human components that are built into what these two characters are capable of, good or bad. Exactly how that links the two of them is a very specific part of Patty's vision." To know exactly what he means, we will have to wait until *Wonder Woman 1984* hits theatres on December 25.

Jugni 2.0 poster featuring singer Kanika Kapoor out

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THE poster for *Jugni 2.0* featuring Kanika Kapoor and Mumzy Stranger is out. Jackky Bhagbanu's JJust Music, Zee Music and Kanika Kapoor will be releasing their version of this famous folklore song Jugni for modern listeners.

Taking to their social media, Jackky Bhagnani's JJust music shared the poster of *Jugni 2.0*. It features Kanika in glitzy clothes on a red background with the song's title written on top.

"Presenting our latest song *Jugni 2.0* by @kanik4kapoor & @mumzystranger to end your 2020 with a bang and groove into 2021 with some style. Mark your calendars, song out soon! @zeemusiccompany," the label tweeted.